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Where Santa leads, we follow,
to feast on food and music

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Ruling by state AG lightens financial burden of managing BWD land

By ALISON ALOISIO

A consent agreement from the Maine Attorney General's office that would make the town of Bethel the trustee of 2,300 acres of Bethel Water District land will no longer require the town to maintain the BWD's infrastructure near Chapman Brook, selectmen learned Monday.

The town would, however, have to protect the brook's water quality in the event it is needed as an emergency water supply.

The brook formerly served as Bethel's primary water supply, until a devastating flood in 2007 prompted the drilling of wells elsewhere.

But the change created a dilemma. In the early 20th century the 2,300-acre watershed, located in Newry, had been given to the BWD by William Bingham.

His 1925 deed stated that if the watershed ceased to be used as a water source, it would be transferred to the state of Maine.

The Bethel Water District last year asked to modify the deed to allow it to retain the land and use it as an emergency water source, as well as harvest wood and establish recreation trails.

But in September the AG's office instead proposed as part of a consent agreement that the town serve as the

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A peek at Christmas in the parlor



Nearly 60 people attended the annual "Christmas at the Mason House" at the 1813 Dr. Moses Mason House in Bethel Saturday. The house was decorated with evergreen boughs, berries and fruit for the holidays, and fireplaces were blazing and candles lit. In the parlor, Lorie Hoeh (shown here), dressed for the 19th century era, knit by the fire. Conni St. Pierre played harp music and Savannah Sessions served hot mulled cider from the hearth in the winter kitchen. More photos, Pages 12-13.

(Photo: C. Savage)

Proposed North Road asphalt plant worries neighbors, businesses

By ALISON ALOISIO

An asphalt plant proposed for the North Road has triggered strong opposition from neighbors and Bethel businesspeople concerned about the petroleum-like smell they say the facility could generate.

Bruce A. Manzer, Inc. has applied to the Bethel Planning Board to build the plant on the back portion of a 23-acre gravel pit lot, located near the Coleman Concrete plant.

Manzer has been operating a temporary asphalt plant, approved by the board in 2008, on land leased from Dick Douglass on the North Road. The new plant would be located across the road from the temporary site.

But after living near the temporary plant, Douglass and other residents decided they didn't want such a business as a permanent neighbor. They turned out last week at a public hearing to voice their

opposition.

"There are days when it's really intolerable — the smoke and the smell," said neighbor Richard Angevine. "It smells like burning tires."

Another neighbor, Gina Douglass (Dick Douglass' daughter-in-law), agreed. "I have always enjoyed being outside at my house," she said. "This year there was no being outside at my house. You could not sit out there without your eyes burning from the fumes from the plant. I had to keep my windows closed a good portion of the summer."

The immediate neighbors weren't the only ones with concerns. Several businesspeople from the Mayville area on Route 2 said their businesses would also be affected.

The odor, said Norseman Inn owner John Cheney, "has lasted for hours. We've had guests ask, What is that

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Giggles greet newest 'Guide' in Greenwood

By MICHAEL DANIELS

The 2011 Visitors' Guide recently released by the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce provided a few good laughs, and some head shaking, at Tuesday evening's meeting of the Greenwood Board of Selectmen.

"I don't think we gave our lake to Bethel," Greenwood Town Manager Kim Sparks told her selectmen, in the course of giving them a heads-up about possible citizen reaction to the guide.

Sparks was referring to a two-page spread on pages 28-29 of the 62-page, four-color publication.

The headline enthused: "Bethel's 'Mystique' creates a favorable learning environment," and was imposed over a picture of — North and Round ponds in Woodstock and Greenwood.

"Can we sue for that?" asked Board Chair Fred Henderson.

"For false advertising?" suggested Selectman Amy Chapman.

Greenwood and Woodstock were not the only victims of the guide's promotional imperialism.

The front cover took similar liberties with geographic reality.

The guide is entitled: "Bethel Maine's most beautiful mountain village," with those words running over a certainly beautiful photograph of — The Lovejoy Covered Bridge in Andover.

Even the very visitors the guide is intended to guide might

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MESys has high hopes for impact of new, pneumatic wood-pellet delivery trucks

By MICHAEL DANIELS

"The pellet industry is the Wild West," said Dutch Dresser.

Complete with the dust. Dresser, director and co-founder of Bethel-based Maine Energy Systems (MESys), was not talking about gunfights or even lawsuits among competitors in the emerging wood-pellet fuel market, but of the industry's economic infrastructure, which remains primitive when compared to fossil-fuel markets.

"The infrastructure for fossil fuel distribution is well established," Dresser said. "It centers on an aggregator—people like Irving Oil and Sprague energy, who invest heavily in the product off season, and then distribute it to the local oil-distributor guys during the heating season."

'When the market is big enough that pellet delivery is a viable economic proposition, people are going to want trucks that deliver pellets quickly, quietly and undamaged.'

DUTCH DRESSER, MESys co-founder

In the off-season, when prices are low, aggregators spend hundreds of millions of dollars to put oil in their tanks, so that they'll be ready for the next season.

"That model sort of takes care of how everybody in that chain gets their money and pays their money," he said.

But, by contrast, "there is no such aggregation in this industry yet, so the pellet mill is constantly in the position of

having to sell to anyone who comes to the door, so they're constantly in the position of negotiating pricing, which really shouldn't be what they do," Dresser said. They should manufacture pellets; somebody else should put the pellets together and sell them to the distributors.

"Eventually that will happen," Dresser predicted, "but it hasn't happened yet."

"Everybody is trying to fig-

ure out how to get the distribution system built in a way that's economically feasible and reliable," Dresser said.

But one key element of such a system — efficient end-user delivery — has so far been lacking.

"This is a big piece in that puzzle, because when the market is big enough that pellet delivery is a viable economic proposition, people are going to want trucks that deliver pellets quickly, quietly and undamaged [i.e., not crushed into dust]."

The trucks currently in use — essentially, converted grain trucks — utilize hybrid mechanical/airlock systems and perform less than optimally on all three counts.

"We've been delivering suc-

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A'over sued for alleged 'trespass' over 685 feet of meandering old road

By ALISON ALOISIO

The Town of Andover is being sued by a couple who claim that changes to the Sawyer Notch Road have caused the road to encroach on their property.

An attorney for Richard and Ronnie Pelletier filed the six-page complaint Sept. 29 in Oxford County Superior Court. The document provided records showing that the road originated as a county road in the early 1800s, and claimed that Andover "at all times intends that the Sawyer Brook Road continue as a town road."

But, the complaint said, within the past 10 years private property owners on the road have formed an informal road association "and have consistently altered the Saw-

yer Brook Road dimensions and location so that the road as it appears today is substantially different from the road as it was originally laid out."

Also provided was a map of what the couple claims is the original path of the road, overlaid with a map of the current path, which shifts back and forth across the old way and onto their property.

They said that by "knowingly" allowing the changes of course, "the town has committed a trespass."

The complaint also said the changes interfered with the Pelletier's use and enjoyment of their land.

The complaint asks the court to declare the road is public and that Andover is to main-

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Letters

NATIVITY CASTING CALL

To the Editor:

Well, it is that time of the year again in which we as a community celebrate the Christmas season in many ways — Country Christmas in Bethel, school programs, church services, caroling, business and family open houses, and the annual Living Nativity, presented on the Common by the people of the community.

It is a wonderful opportunity that this community still affords itself, to quietly remember the foundational meaning of Christmas amidst all the hustle and bustle of everything else that has become part of the celebration.

How refreshing. How appropriate. What a joyful thing to gather the community around for at this special season of the year.

So, this is the annual call to all who would like to get involved in the presentation again (or for the first time) this year. It takes a lot of people to "pull it off," as we would like to include everyone.

We need shepherds, wise men, angels (big and small) and others who can work together with others to fill the cast. We also need community choir members who will sing in the gazebo. Finally, we are also in need of animals (the four-legged kind), sheep, goats, cows or any farm animals.

If anyone would like to be involved at any of these levels, preparation will begin at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 19, at the Bethel Inn Conference Center.

So come, don a costume, grab a shepherd's staff, put on a king's crown, or grow some angel wings and a halo (if for but a short time). We also need a crowd to watch, listen and sing, so come and be part of this special community expression Christmas celebration.

The presentation will begin at 5 p.m. on the common, next to the gazebo.

If anyone has questions, or would like to let us know of willingness to help in advance, please call (or leave a message) at 824-2289, Bethel Alliance Church.

We'll see everyone on the Bethel Common on the 19th. Merry Christmas. For more information, call me at 824-2715 or Nancy Bellinger at 824-4567.

*Drew Webster
Chair, Living Nativity*

CHIMES OF ADVENT RING AGAIN

To the Editor:

To you, and through you to your gentle readers.

Some of the neighbors of Mid-Town Main Street wish to thank "The Methodist Ladies" for returning the chimes to our Advent season.

With the conditions in the world being very questionable as they seem, it is nice to be on Main Street and hear chimes, and music from the Davis Family gift to the Methodist Church.

As Henry Wadsworth Longfellow wrote many years ago, "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day, Their old familiar Carols Play, of Peace on Earth and Goodwill to Men."

So Let it Be in Bethel this year and for many more to come. Thank you.

*S. T. Seames
Neighbor*

CHRISTMAS IN NEW ENGLAND

To the Editor:

Cynthia Immonen will present a program called "How Christmas Came to New England" which explains the European origin of many of our traditional celebrations at the monthly meeting of the Finnish-American Heritage Society of Maine on Sunday, Dec. 19, 2010. The meeting will be held at the Finnish-American Heritage Center, 8 Maple St., West Paris at 2 p.m. A brief business meeting will be held prior to the program and a coffee social will close out the day. The public is welcome to attend.

*Barbara Payne
S. Paris*

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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When writing, please include your full name, signature, address and telephone number (so that we may verify authorship).

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CONCERNS ABOUT NORTH ROAD ASPHALT PLANT

To the Editor:

I am one of many concerned North Road citizens worried about the Bruce A. Manzer asphalt plant requesting a permit from our Bethel town planning board to purchase a large parcel of property to run their plant on the North Road.

With a year of experience living near the plant, I know firsthand of the powerful fumes and smoke that come from this plant daily. There have been many days when the odor has been noticed on Mayville road as well as in town, as far as Sudbury Village on Evergreen Road.

I'm hoping the planning board will take the residence experiences into consideration and make a decision that works best for our beautiful tourist town, nestled in the mountains of western Maine. If this company is granted permission to run their plant in this area by the planning board, what will happen in the future if they operate and continue to create conditions that threaten businesses and poses health risks for homeowners and others using our recreational areas? What will we be able to do at that time? Who has the authority to regulate the way such an industry operates? What recourse do abutters and those living nearby or those with businesses dependent on clean, fresh mountain air to attract and keep their respective businesses humming have? Will surrounding residences be granted an abatement of taxes due to the pollution this plant continues to produce nearby?

These are very important issues that deserve answers in order to keep our town clean. Please, let's all work together on this very important issue.

*Gina Douglass
North Road*

EXPO THANKS

To the Editor:

Last Saturday was a wonderful day for community and visitors; there were fun and informative activities in many locations. Hundreds of people enjoyed the chamber of commerce events -- the 4th Annual Bethel Area Business & Home Expo, the Taste of Bethel, and the Theme Wreath Auction at Telstar High School. Many thanks to the Expo committee of Colleen Files, Lloyd Sweetser, Amy Marshall, Lynn Saxton, and Jim Bennett.

A huge thanks to our Expo sponsors: Presenting Sponsor, Norway Savings Bank; Major Sponsor, Agren Appliance and Television; Supporting Sponsors, Northeast Bank, United Insurance, and Turner Publishing; basic sponsors, Western Maine Supply and W. J. Wheeler Insurance. We are grateful to Cross Excavation for donating a cord of wood as the biggest raffle prize. Thanks also to Gould Academy for the use of tables and chairs and Bethel Shop N Save for donating cases of water. A belated note of appreciation to Mallard Mart for donating coffee for the Wares Fair on Nov. 26.

The 41 vendors, plus four Telstar High School and Middle School groups, did a fantastic job interacting with the show visitors and promoting their products and services. Sheriff Wayne Gallant was our judge. Congratulations to Xanna's Spa for best exhibit, second place, Mahoosuc Kids. Best student exhibit was FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America). Stacey Wheeler won the cord of wood.

The following eight restaurants generously donated their tastes and time: Crosstone Restaurant at the Mollycodd Motel, Good Food Store, Jolly Drayman Pub at the Briar Lea Inn, Loose Boots Lounge at Mt. Abram Resort, Rooster's Roadhouse, Smokin' Good BBQ, The Sudbury Inn, and the Sunday River Brewing Company. Thanks to W.J. Wheeler Insurance for their continued sponsorship. We trust the word goes out about these wonderful restaurants.

Beautiful wreaths were donated, themed to the business and most including gift certificates, by the following: Austin's Holiday House B&B, Barking Dawg, Bennett Automotive, Bethel Bicycle, The Bethel Citizen, The Bethel Inn Resort, BIG Adventure Center, Carol Savage Photography, Funky Red Barn, Mahoosuc Kids Association, Maine Made Furniture, Mt. Mann Jewelers, Northeast Bank, Norway Savings Bank, Pat's Pizza, Pooh Corner Farm, River View Resort, Rooster's Roadhouse, and Viewer's Choice Video of Bethel. Many thanks to all!

Sponsors and volunteers what would we do without them? First and foremost, many thanks to Dave Friday, without whose continual aid we would be up a creek! Also to the following volunteers (in addition to the committee members above): Ellie Andrews, Laurence and Marcia Austin, Nancy Babcock, Gary Coyne, Al Cressy, Ellen Crocker, Ivory Currier, Chris Delamater, Read Dickinson, John and Carol Emery, Arlynn Hale, Dan Hart, Fran Head, John Holliday, Matty Leach, Blake MacKay, Kevin Marshall, Charlie Raymond, Joyce Roma, Kevin Rosenberg, Carol Savage, Joel Speakman, Al Sumner, and Telstar student, Ethan Phelps.

Holiday gift-giving season is here. The Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce reminds you to shop locally. All the businesses which supported this weekend of events support countless community causes. In fact, many have donated to our Holiday Online Auction, going on Dec. 5-15. (See tinyurl.com/holidayauction. Register and bid!) Please consider this when making your purchasing decisions this holiday season and all year long.

*Robin Zinchuk
Executive Director, Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce*

WOODSTOCK TREE-LIGHTING THANKS

To the Editor:

On Friday, Dec. 3, the annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony was hosted by the Woodstock School. Santa Claus arrived in fine style on a Woodstock Fire Truck and of course was immediately surrounded by children of all ages. He brought the children together around the tree, counted down to one, and turned the lights on.

Now that the lights on the Christmas Tree on the Common in Bryant Pond/Woodstock are shining brightly, it is time to thank some folks.

First a word of thanks to the Woodstock Board of Selectmen who voted to purchase new LED lights and have them placed on the tree on the common after a few years of using the tree at the Library. We have had many people comment as to how beautiful the "Tree" looks.

Second, thank you to G.O. Hayes for supplying his time and lift truck to help put the lights on the tree.

Thirdly, to the members of the Newry Fire Department who came down with their ladder truck and assisted in the project.

Fourthly, to the members of the Woodstock Fire Department, who, as did all of the others, gave up a Sunday morning in November to oversee the decoration of the Christmas Tree for us.

And finally to the members of the Woodstock Highway Department who constructed the bright white star that sits atop the tree.

It is very heart warming to see willing volunteers make this popular community project happen. We all hope everyone will be able to enjoy this beautiful Christmas Tree.

Thank you all very much, we appreciate your efforts. We wish every one a very Blessed and Merry Christmas.

*Vern H. Maxfield
Town Manager*



DOWNED POLE CLOSING ROAD—Route 5 in Bethel from Mill Hill south to Vernon Street was closed for about five hours Monday afternoon/night after a car left the road, hit and broke a utility pole. The 17-year-old female driver from Bethel was not hurt, Cpl. Brian Landis of the Oxford County Sheriff's Department said. The car is shown here just north of the sharp curve near Mill Hill. The flashing lights from a Central Maine Power truck illuminate what remains of the pole at left and the downed wires at right. Bethel firefighters helped direct traffic while repairs were made.

(Photo: A. Aloisio)

Our Back Pages

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: Alan Ordway, president of Gould Academy's Board of Trustees, announced the appointment of Dan Kunkle as the school's next headmaster.

Albany residents voted 171 to 46 not to pursue the process of converting the township to a plantation.

The former L.E. Davis office building was moved from its Cross Street location to a lot on the Parkway.

Deaths: Louise Jordan Chase, Geraldine R. Cook, James C. Heath, Ethel L. Chapman, William J. C. Young, John P. Bayerlein.

20 years ago: The Bethel Rotary's Christmas for Children program noted a decrease in donations and an increase of requests for toys.

Parents and friends constructed a "reading loft" in Judy Coolidge's second-grade classroom at Ethel Bisbee School.

Steve and Peggy Wight and staff hosted an open house for area businesspeople at the Sunday River Inn.

Births: Ethan Everett Blake, Alex Joseph Hebert, Aaron Christopher Vail, Kalinda Marie Cox.

Deaths: Maurice G. Brooks, Hazel C. Linnell, Iris "Billie" Farwell, Iola Tibbetts, Consuelo Z. Alger.

30 years ago: High velocity winds caused many trees to be blown down as well as numerous power outages in the area.

The Woodstock Fire Department Auxiliary was sponsoring a Best Decorated Home contest for Woodstock residents.

A new storage building was being constructed on the eastern end of the Telstar Regional High School lot.

Death: Grace E. Merrill.

40 years ago: Sunday River ski resort opened for the season on Saturday, Dec. 5, with from four to 12 inches of man-made snow at its "Mixing Bowl" area.

A Department of Inhalation Therapy opened at Stephens Memorial Hospital under the direction of Joseph R. Gagne, Inhalation Therapist.

A total of 91 deer and six bear were tagged in Newry during hunting season.

Death: Mrs. Estella Smith.

50 years ago: Gould Academy bought the service station property of Stanley "Peanut" Gallant on Church Street. The building was razed to make a parking lot.

Work had begun on the first planned development of real estate in Bethel on the former Algernon Chapman property, Bridge Street, owned by Ernest Blake and Frank Lowell.

Kenneth Lasseter, Huntsville, Ontario, was named ski school instructor at Mt. Abram Ski Slopes.

Death: Mrs. Florence Tibbetts.

60 years ago: The Bethel Ski and Outing Club reported improvements at the Vernon Street Ski tow, including a new trail, improved runs, new rope and additional space at the top.

Mr. and Mrs. William Von Zintl and Miss Geneva Johnston returned from their European trip.

Death: Guy E. Dudley.

70 years ago: The steel work of the Gould Academy field house was being erected.

Delmer Morgan of Bethel suffered back injuries and broken ribs when his car jumped a brook near South Paris after the front wheels locked.

Temperatures of 37 below zero were reported.

Floyd Bartlett suffered a fractured skull when hit by a falling tree at Rapid River.

Deaths: Walter F. Tubbs, Joshua W. S. Colby.

80 years ago: Cars driven by Carroll Wentzell, Leroy Hamlin, and Rev. R. C. Dailzell were in automobile accidents due to icy roads.

Forms for the skating rink were put up on the Common.

Heirs of Liberty E. Holden deeded the old Gould Academy principal's home to Frank E. Hanscom.

110 years ago: M.A. and E.N. Stowell were building a cellar for Prof. W. R. Chapman at his home in Mayville.

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Road

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tain it, and prevent private citizens from altering it. The suit also asks for compensation "for their damages plus interest, costs, expenses and reasonable attorney's fees."

But Richard Pelletier said Tuesday his intent is not to have the town maintain the road, but rather to put it back in its original location. He said his land abuts the road for 685 feet.

"I want the road back where the state of Maine said it was," he said. "I don't expect the town to maintain the road. They haven't had to maintain it for 100 years, why should they start now?"

He also said other residents of the road have posted parts of it as private, and he objects to that.

"It's the only road to C Pond," he said.

Ronnie Pelletier said that, on the advice of their attorney, she and her husband had placed "No Trespassing" signs on the road where it crosses their property, and had photographed vehicles driving on those parts of the road.

Letter

Brenda Stickney, who lives farther up the road, said she received a letter from the Pelletier's lawyer last summer regarding trespassing. She provided a copy with a letterhead of Margot Joly, Esq., of Joly & Associates of Wilton.

It said in part: "The purpose of this letter is to notify you personally, and any informal association to which you belong, to cease any activity which trespasses upon the property of Mr. and Mrs. Pelletier pursuant to 17-A M.R.S.A. I(E). Such activity would include your driving over the property of Mr. and Mrs. Pelletier and any activity that would widen or alter the road as it was originally laid out.

"If you continue to trespass on the property of Mr. and Mrs. Pelletier, I have been authorized to take appropriate legal action including the filing of a civil claim and reporting your activity to the Maine State Police and the Oxford County Sheriff's Department.

"I have further advised Mr. and Mrs. Pelletier to take any and all action to enforce the rights they have to protect their property from continued trespass by you, your informal association or any other person who continues to interfere with their use and enjoyment of their land."

Town's answer

In early November, Andover's attorney, Michael E. Saucier of Thompson & Bowe, LLP of Portland, filed a formal answer to the Pelletiers' complaint.

It denied the complaint's allegations, and noted that while the road south of and including what is known as the "new bridge" is a town road, the public has "prescriptive easement" to use the road north of the bridge. It also states the road north of the bridge has not been maintained by the town or the county since at least 1926.

The answer also said that for the suit to proceed, two groups of people should be included, because their rights may be affected: other owners of property along the road who have easements, and members of the public who use the road.

On Tuesday Saucier, citing the pending litigation, declined to comment. As for the timeline of the legal process, he said the court had issued an order establishing a deadline of July 15, 2011 for completion of the discovery phase.

Subdivision

Two years ago Richard Pelletier proposed a seven-lot subdivision off Sawyer Notch Road. The ordinance required that developers upgrade to town standards private roads that connect to their subdivisions.

The road was approximately 16 feet wide, towns officials said in 2008. Town road standards require a 24-foot width, as well as specific grades, crowns and depths for a gravel base.

The Planning Board granted a waiver on the requirement, which would have applied to a mile-long stretch of the road, but the Appeals Board upheld an appeal by Stickney that planners had exceeded their authority.

When the decision went against him, Pelletier said he would drop his plan to build the subdivision. But he also said he planned to consult a lawyer because he had put an estimated \$85,000 into the project.

He said Tuesday that the current complaint is not related to the subdivision issue. He said he has since sold one lot on that property, given four to relatives and kept two lots that border an old farm that he owns on the road. He said he has no plans for those lots.

Briefly

Bethel wreath-laying schedule

BETHEL—A fundraising effort to place a Christmas wreath on the graves of 119 military service veterans at Riverside Cemetery in Bethel has collected enough funds for an estimated 80 to 90 wreaths, according to volunteer Craig Davis of the Civil Air Patrol. As part of the nationwide Wreaths Across America observance, the Bethel wreaths will be laid on Saturday, to coincide with a similar event at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia. At 10 a.m., Boy Scouts will place the wreaths on many of the graves. Family members who want to place wreaths on their loved ones' graves should be at the cemetery between 10 and 10:30 a.m. At noon a ceremony will take place at the Civil War monument on Main Street, beginning with the singing of the national anthem by a Telstar High School student. The American Legion Commander will then give a speech, and a wreath will be placed for each branch of the military, including Coast Guard and POW/MIA.

Woodstock appeal, camp hearing

WOODSTOCK—An appeal of the Planning Board's approval of a site plan for the Patriot Renewable wind project on Spruce Mountain has been filed by Nathaniel Snow of Bethlehem, N.H. He owns the property with a building nearest to the planned towers. Town Manager Vern Maxfield said Tuesday. The Appeals Board will meet to consider it Dec. 16 at 7 p.m. at the Town Office. In other business at Tuesday's selectmen's meeting, Fire Chief Geoff Inman said work is progressing with the Greenwood Fire Department in working out a schedule for proposed shared daily coverage for the two towns. The board also held a public hearing/presentation by Susan Jennings of the University of Maine Extension regarding the use of public service grant funds received by the UM 4-H Camp in Bryant Pond. Jennings said that students of all ages from area school systems had participated in educational activities at the camp, and that scholarships for seasonal programs had been awarded. High and middle school students also participated in a partnership with the Lakes Association in a milfoil eradication project.

Deadline for Andover warrant

ANDOVER—The Andover Selectboard is beginning to prepare the 2011 annual warrant. Requests for articles to be included in the warrant should be brought to the Select board by Tuesday, Jan. 11 to help meet the print deadline, board chair Susan Merrow said. Committee and department reports for the annual report should also be submitted as soon as possible to Tina Farrington, secretary to the selectmen. The Budget Committee meets Wednesday nights at the Town Office. Merrow added that volleyball is continuing again this winter at the elementary school Sunday and Wednesday nights at 6 p.m. And on Saturday, Jan. 8, there will be a Rabies Shot Clinic at the Fire Station from 2-4 p.m.

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WHEREAS, the statutory ninety (90) day redemption period has elapsed without redemption by the said Defendant, his successors or assigns,

NOW, THEREFORE, by order of and in execution of said Judgment of Foreclosure and Order of Sale, notice is hereby given that there will be sold at public sale at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, December 31, 2010, at the office of John S. Jenness, Jr., Esq., at 23 Market Square, South Paris, Maine, all and singular the premises described in said Judgment, to wit:

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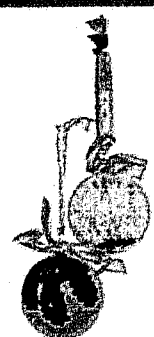
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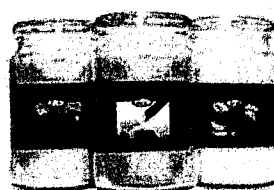
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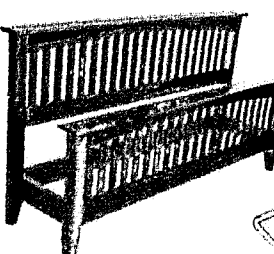
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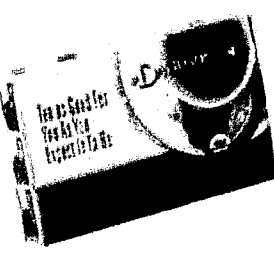
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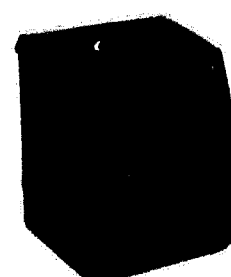
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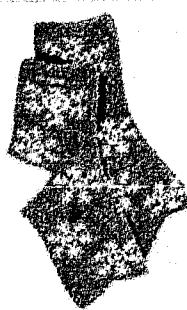
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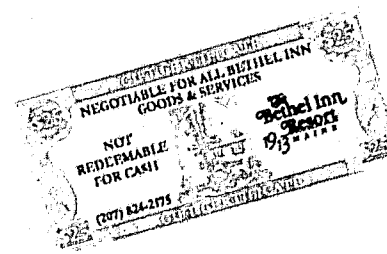
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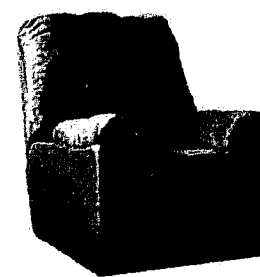
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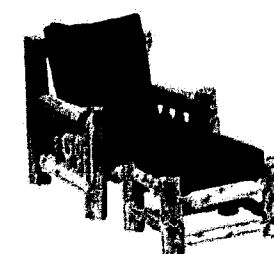
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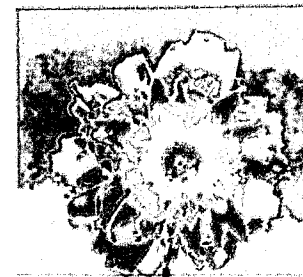
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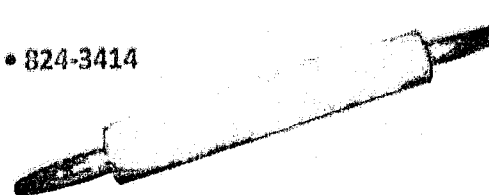
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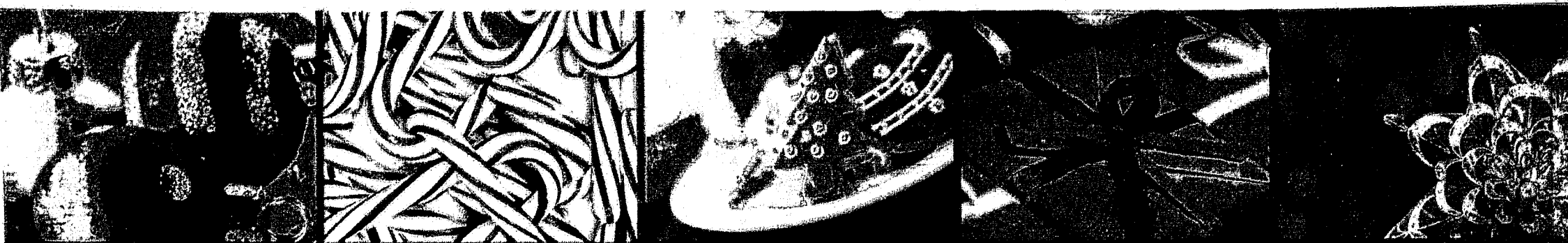
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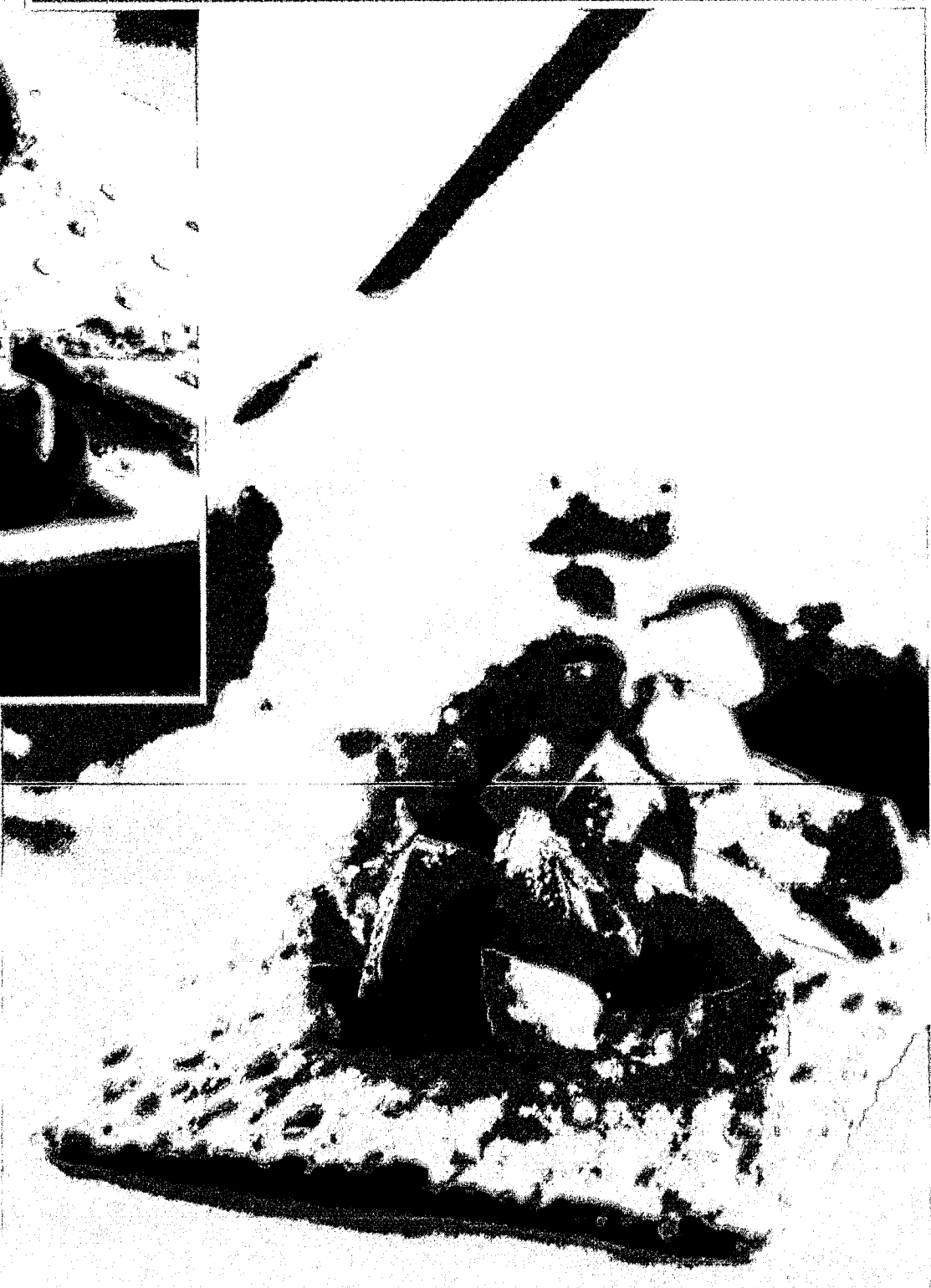
Serves 6

- 6 Wasa Thin & Crispy Original Flatbreads
- 1 red bell pepper
- 1 avocado
- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- Salt, to taste
- Black pepper, to taste
- 1 teaspoon parsley, chopped

Dice bell pepper into small dices.

Dice avocado and mash with red peppers, olive oil, lemon juice, salt and pepper.

Spread mixture onto flatbreads and sprinkle with chopped parsley.



Flatbread with Tomato, Feta and Cucumber

Serves 6

- 6 Wasa Thin & Crispy Rosemary Flatbreads
- 1 cup low-fat feta cheese
- 1 pint cherry tomatoes, quartered
- 1 teaspoon parsley, chopped
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- Salt, to taste
- Black pepper, to taste
- 1 cucumber, thinly sliced

Crumble feta cheese into small pieces.

Combine tomato and feta cheese with parsley, lemon juice, olive oil, salt and pepper.

Top each flatbread with cucumber slices. Place tomato and feta mixture over the top of the cucumber slices.

Flatbread with Tomato Salsa

Serves 6

- 6 Wasa Thin & Crispy Sesame Flatbreads
- 2 heirloom tomatoes, your favorite variety
- 1/2 teaspoon fresh jalapeño, chopped
- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1/2 teaspoon cilantro, chopped
- Salt, to taste
- Black pepper, to taste

Dice tomatoes into small pieces.

Chop jalapeño and cilantro.

Combine all ingredients in a bowl. Mix well. Drain extra liquid. Top flatbreads with salsa.

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OCSD Bethel Patrol Log:

Tuesday, Nov. 30

At 10:55 p.m. Deputy Mike Halacy responded to the North Road after a caller who had gone off the road said he had gotten a ride home. The caller said a wrecker was being contacted to bring the vehicle to New Hampshire.

Wednesday, Dec. 1

At 2:17 p.m. Deputy Dennis Ryder responded to Main Street for two subjects involved in a fight. One left prior to the deputy's arrival.

During the afternoon and evening several deputies served court paperwork from the Rumbold Court.

Thursday, Dec. 2

At 4:36 a.m. a caller reported a vehicle off the road on Route 232. Sgt. Tim Holland was assigned.

At 2:26 p.m. a report was received of two vehicles parked in a restricted area on Mason Street. Deputy Dennis Ryder was assigned.

At 7:16 p.m. a caller reported a lot of speeding cars on the Intervale Road. Deputy Dani Welch was assigned.

Friday, Dec. 3

At 11:35 a.m. a late report of an accident at a Cross Street business was received. The complainant did not have his vehicle or information. Deputy Mike Parshall was assigned.

At 3:07 p.m. Sgt. Tim Holland and Deputies Mike Halacy and George Cayer responded to the Intervale Road and Route 2 for a report of an intoxicated driver. John K. Flood, 48, of Bethel was stopped by Deputy Cayer on Route 2 and arrested for OUI.

At 6:18 p.m. Deputies Dani Welch and George Cayer responded to Route 26 for a report of a heavy equipment truck spilling liquid, possibly water, and making the road icy.

Saturday, Dec. 4

At 8:32 a.m. a report was received of an individual possibly going through vehicles during the night and caught on video in West Bethel. Deputy Mike Parshall was assigned.

At 2:03 p.m. on Mechanic Street a motorist stopped Deputy Mike Parshall to report a theft that had occurred in Newry.

At 9:57 p.m. a caller reported unauthorized people might be taking items from an apartment on Mason Street. Deputy Dani Welch was assigned. Nicholas S. Downs, 24, and Bridgette L. Downs, both of Bethel, were summonsed for criminal trespass.

Sunday, Dec. 5

At 7:59 a.m. Deputy Mike Parshall responded to Route 26 for a report of a traffic offense.

At 10:02 a.m. a caller reported striking a cable that crosses the road on Old Iron Road. Deputy Mike Parshall was assigned.

Monday, Dec. 6

At 11:07 a.m. a caller reported that someone had just called wanting to be bailed out of jail in Canada, and requested a credit card information. Deputy Mike Parshall was assigned.

At 3:14 p.m. Cpl. Brian Landis responded to the Songo Pond Road for a single vehicle crash. Bethel Fire and Rescue also responded.

Oxford County Jail:

(Bethel region)

Dec. 7, 6:35 p.m.: Ashley L. Jackson, 23, of Greenwood, failure to appear; by Deputy Dennis Ryder in Greenwood.

Bethel

By Nancy Brown

The Christmas holiday season in Bethel officially began on Saturday, Dec. 4, with the arrival of Santa Claus who rode up Main Street on the top of a fire truck. Santa arrived at the Bethel Common in time for the lighting of the Christmas tree. Santa's visit was part of a series of holiday events that continues through Christmas Eve.

I spent part of Saturday afternoon taking the horse-drawn wagon ride through Bethel. The wagon rides are scheduled for two more Saturdays, Dec. 11 and Dec. 18, from 2 to 4 p.m. You don't have to be a kid to take the wagon ride. The ride starts at the Bethel Common near the Chapman Inn.

A horse named Sam I Am, who is decked out in sleigh bells, pulls the wagon down Church Street, across Elm and High streets, and back up Main Street. During my ride, passengers sang Christmas songs and waved to everyone along the wagon's route. Sam seemed to love the attention.

The rides are free and Sam is happy to pose for pictures. When he's not giving wagon rides, Sam lives at Deepwood Farm in Albany. Later in the winter, Sam will give sleigh rides at the Bethel Inn. You can call the Bethel Inn for ticket information.

Bethel has received a dusting of snow over the past week. Temperatures have been in the twenties at night and are allowing the local ski areas to make snow on the mountains. From Bethel you can see the lights on Mt. Abram as snow is made.

However, it takes more than a few cold nights to freeze the rivers and ponds. The thin layer of ice on the edges of the ponds and bogs will not support either animals or people. Please do not go out on the ice until it is safe.

The Rotary Club of Bethel Annual Seniors' Christmas Luncheon will be held Tuesday, Dec. 14, at 12 noon at the Jackson-Silver American Legion Post 68, Gore Road, Greenwood (Locke Mills). There will be a ham dinner with all the traditional fixings and live entertainment.

Marcia and Laurence Austin have returned from a three-week tour of Wales and Sussex and Kent, England.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Carrie E. Holt, of Ber-

lin, N.H., who died on Dec. 2. Carrie graduated from Gould Academy in 1947. She is survived by her husband, Carl, her three children, brothers Avery Angevine and Ernest Angevine of Bethel, John Angevine of West Stewartstown, N.H., and her sister Mary DeLois of Shelburne, N.H.

Do you have community or holiday news that you'd like to see in the Bethel column? Send it to nancybrown1150@yahoo.com or call me at 824-2483.

West Bethel

By Lorrie Hoeh

We woke to two inches of snow on Saturday morning, and the world was transformed. Everything suddenly looked clean and fresh again. In the woods every branch and pine needle was limned in white. The trail was more easily distinguishable from the rest of the undergrowth, and tracks were readily visible. It seemed almost sinful to leave our human and canine tracks on the pristine path.

Of course, most of that Friday night snow has melted or sublimated by now, and Monday's "storm" didn't hit us. It hit downeast Maine pretty hard, however, with reports that Route 9 (the "Airline") was closed because of too much snow. Would that we had received some of that here so that we cross-country skiers could have enjoyed it! The good news is that the ground is freezing before we have a heavy snow cover, which is better for ski trails, gardens, and such.

Last Wednesday our spinning group had its annual Christmas party at the home of Doreen and John Simmons on Streaked Mountain Road in Paris. There were twenty of us busily knitting on Christmas projects, sharing a sumptuous potluck lunch, partaking of a Yankee Swap, and enjoying each other's company. Our next meeting will be the first Wednesday in January, the 5th by my reckoning. We meet at the West Parish Congregational Church from 10 to 2, with a potluck lunch. Any spinners, knitters, or would-be spinners/knitters are invited to join us. Call me for more information.

Thursday night's piano recital at Gould's Trustees' Auditorium was marvelous. Tamara Poddubnaya brought

two of her star pupils to entertain us. And entertain us they did, with a wonderful program, and with Tamara performing as well. I am really looking forward to next summer's "Music Without Borders," when Dr. Poddubnaya returns with more of her talented international students for three weeks of amazing recitals.

It was certainly a busy weekend around town and elsewhere. I hope that many of you were able to partake of the many events going on in and around town. I met friends at the Congregational Church Fair and Tea on Saturday afternoon, and after some shopping at the fair, we all partook of a lovely tea, with finger sandwiches, multiple varieties of cookies, and delicious tea and/or coffee.

From there I dashed home to don my old-fashioned duds to sit in the parlor of the Moses Mason House, guarding the fireplace and window candles, and doing a little knitting as well. Connie St. Pierre was there with me, playing Christmas music on her harp, and we met and greeted a great many visitors, both familiar and unknown to us. It seemed like a bigger crowd than we've seen in years, which was very pleasing. Afterward we saw the Marjorie Noll Award presented to Jean Owen in recognition of her many years of volunteering at the Historical Society in several different capacities. Congratulations to Jean on this well-deserved honor.

Finally, on Sunday afternoon we drove to Farmington to see our son-in-law, Paul Stancioff, perform as part of the Farmington Community Chorus in a presentation of Mozart's Requiem. The music was glorious, the acoustics excellent, and the audience very appreciative of a magnificent performance of this beautiful music. Coincidentally, we were informed by the conductor that it was the 200th anniversary of Mozart's death, so this work was especially appropriate.

Several Christmas knitting projects, not to mention baking, shopping, wrapping, etc.,

beckon. I expect many of you will be similarly occupied in the coming weeks. Do let me hear from you: dhoe@megalink.net; 824-2917.

Gilead

By Lin Chapman

It appears that winter has arrived. We have some snow on the ground and more on the way. Each television station seems to have their own opinion on what will happen with the weather when there is an upcoming storm. At least they agree that there is one coming, but snow totals never seem to agree. That is when you take an average of their totals and come up with your own!

The winter birds are gathering at the feeder early Monday morning. That usually means that they are getting ready for a storm. There were lots of Chickadees, Goldfinches, Tufted Titmice, Red-breasted Nuthatches, White-breasted Nuthatches, Blue Jays, Juncos and the occasional Sparrow. The Cardinal shows up a few times a week.

My brother, Steve McLain, has all his snow equipment ready to handle whatever amount of snow arrives. The plow is on the pickup and the snowblower is ready to roll.

Lise McLain went to Quebec City, Canada this past weekend with her brother and his wife, Andre and Eileen Dupont. They attended the services for the relative that recently passed away.

Congratulations to Morgan McLean, daughter of Jamie and Alicia McLean. With the help of her family and many friends, she is doing a great job raising money for the 5th grade this year. She has worked very hard and continues to do so.

Hugh and I went to the Bethel Area Business and Home Expo last Saturday at Telstar. The gym was full of booths that were set up by area businesses. We got to go around and see what there was to offer. We also ran into several people that we had not seen in quite a while.

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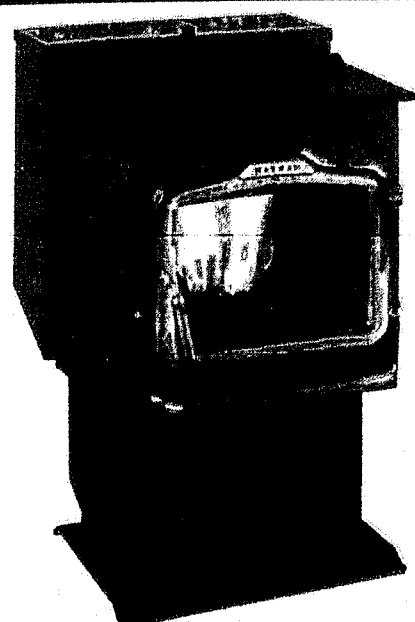
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Hugh and I went to Tim and Michele's in Gorham, N.H., last Sunday. There was a birthday party for our granddaughter, Annie Chapman. She turned 8 years old on Nov. 30. Also attending were the other grandchildren, William, Ajay and Sidney and Michele's parents, Leo and Ann Croteau.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com

Hanover

By Clem Worcester

Last week November slipped into December and with that, the avid hunters rushed to the Town Office to purchase muzzle-loader permits for extra hunting time in the woods. Overall deer kill in our area has been reported as slower than past years.

Officials from the Hanover Town Office are reminding everyone that dog licenses are due Dec. 31 for all dogs over six months of age. A spay/neuter certificate if applicable and an up-to-date rabies certificate is required at the time of licensing. This year the late fee for not licensing dogs is \$25.

A good group of Hanover neighbors and friends from the area came to the tree lighting at the Hanover Town Office last Saturday. Following an introduction by Select Board Chairperson Brenda Gross, the youngest person there flipped the switch that turned on the lights. Proudly doing the job was 12-year-old Makala Worcester. Her father, Brian Worcester, donated the tree and erected it at the Town Office. Following the lighting everyone sang seasonal songs before going inside for hot chocolate, coffee and dessert items. The younger people and some of the adults enjoyed decorating balls to take home to their own trees.

Get well wishes to Lillian Turner who recently has been ill.

In Knights of Pythias news some local area people traveled to Brunswick last Sunday to attend a Christmas party at Fort George Lodge. Attending from the area were Freeman and Norma Farrington from East Andover, Danny and Janice Bennett and Michael Bennett from Milton Township and Clem and Donna Worcester from Hanover. Following the potluck dinner a gift exchange

took place along with fund-raising raffles. On Dec. 15 there will be another Knights of Pythias Christmas party at Colonel Brewer Lodge in Brewer, Maine, starting at 6 p.m.

The Rumford Grange held their December meeting along with a Christmas party last Saturday at the home of Butch and Vicki Clark on Ellis River Road.

It is that time of year when we have rain and snow and all kinds of bad weather so everyone please drive carefully.

East Bethel

By Wally Ritz

Christmas is approaching fast and most are busy shopping, decorating, and wrapping presents. In Germany most do not put up their tree till Christmas eve as part of the tradition is to have an Advent wreath to celebrate the four Sundays before Christmas.

I do still have some Thanksgiving news to share. The Haines family met for Thanksgiving on Nov. 24 at the home of George Haines and daughter Lisa. Nancy Haines and son Joseph of Greenwood, and Harvey Small of Greenwood, Peter Haines, Nancy Mercer, James Haines of Gray and his partner Darren were all there and enjoyed a delicious dinner together.

Aline had a nice Thanksgiving dinner with her children and their spouses, Jennifer and Lee Norris, Ryan Stowell, Jarrod and Paige Crockett. Heidi Holt was their special guest. What a wonderful young lady!

Aline Dupont and Gerard Dupont (Jarrod's mother and grandfather) went to his swearing-in ceremony at the House of Representatives in Augusta on Dec. 1. They both are very proud to have been there to witness this ceremony.

The Alder River Grange will meet on Dec. 10 at the home of Bert and Ruby Bryant in Norway, on 7 Bolster Street which is off Beal Street. Everyone going will meet at the Locke Mills Church parking lot at 4:45 p.m. and all will go down together. There will be a potluck supper at 6 p.m. and the meeting at 7.

This week it is time for a new Trivia question. Who had owned a shingle mill and why did it close? Make sure to call 824-3220 or e-mail han@megalink.net with your answers.

Have a great week everyone.

Upton

By Laurie Brown

"Hasty pudding" is heard about and sung about this time of year. In a very old recipe book, I found that it was made from cornmeal mush, boiled till thick, cooled, sliced, fried, and properly doused with molasses. Are you going to try some this year from a similar recipe?

The Christmas program was well attended. Jacob and Andrew Coulombe entertained us with their trumpets. Lexie-ann Hart played her violin and Bridgette Hart played her viola. Jennifer and Caitlin Casey, Lotty Casko, Andrew and Jacob Coulombe and Keona Bouchard presented a delightful play entitled "Christmas Lights." Cameron Bouchard worked on the set and behind the scene. Santa Claus was wonderful! He had stockings and gifts for all the children and stayed for most of our party. The kids gathered together many snacks to sustain him on his trip. Jes Bernier, ordinarily terrified of the jolly ole' fellow, offered him a candy cane! Ladies Aid members passed out baskets to the seniors. The Bingo games were fun as well.

Sympathies and prayers are extended to Sue and Dick Angvine in the passing of his aunt.

Upton is blessed with about 7-8 inches of snow which was delivered in a couple different storms. Joe Bernier found that northern Maine was blessed with much more than that when he took a trip to Millinocket this week.

Hope you have a wonderful week. Selah

Andover

By Melinda Averill

A busy weekend in Andover coming up -- the craft fair is at the Fire Department on Saturday, with the arrival of Santa Claus at 1 p.m.

There will be a Kids Christmas party at the Andover Public Library also on Saturday, from 2 until 4 p.m. There will be crafts, stories, music, fun and snacks, all downstairs. R.S.V.P. at 392-4841. This holiday party is being hosted by the Library Trustees and is free to all ages (children under 5 need to be accompanied).

Gerald and Helen Deanis just returned home from a visit to their daughter, Kimbalie Moore and family in Vidor, Texas. While there they celebrated Kim's birthday, Thanksgiving and had an early Christmas. Gerald went on a fishing trip with son-in-law Clay and grandson Christopher. The trip home was a

long one due to the weather, but otherwise it was a wonderful time.

Happy birthday to Francis Ellis Bailey on Saturday the 11th, Hunter Nadeau on the 15th, and Tyler Freeman on the 13th, who shares his birthday with his grandmother Becky!

The Andover Food Pantry is coordinating efforts with Santa's Helper this year to assist Andover families. Those from town who would like to request help for Christmas are asked to contact Linda Couture at 364-7968.

Enjoy the weekend, shop, shop, shop!

Mason

By Richard Grover

Have you noticed that the field mice are coming inside for the winter -- again. I've caught several in traps baited with peanut butter. I am also planting little trays of D-Con pellets in the garage, attic and basement. I was talking about this subject with niece Elsie Aylward a few days ago, and she related this story, after explaining why she wasn't sure she was going to park her car in her garage this winter.

It seems that she parked her car in the garage last winter, and Mike at Mighty Wrench found a couple mouse nests in her engine compartment when she took it in for him to service it. Not long after that, she noticed a foul odor in the car whenever she turned the windshield defroster on. She took the car back to Mike, and he removed a batch of those pesky D-Con pellets that the mice had stored under the hood. After this, Elsie noticed a strong fishy odor whenever the defroster got warmed up. She took the car back to Mike, and this time he removed the entire dash panel, and found it full of fish pellets that she feeds the fish in her pond in the summer. Apparently, the mice had been storing the pellets in her car for future use! This year, she is trying to make sure she gets rid of the garage mice before she parks her car in there! I haven't checked lately to see how well she did.

As I was cutting pine logs last Saturday, I had another of those "eye opening" experiences one has now and then. Every now and then as I saw the limbs off trees, especially if they are under tension either under the trunk or against neighboring trees, they snap and pop the saw chain off the bar just as the saw teeth touch the limb, releasing the tension. Last Saturday it was a good size pine limb underneath the trunk that was obviously bent by the weight of the tree. Not unus-

al. Just as the spinning saw chain touched the under side of the limb, snap! The limb instantly broke and the chain jumped off the saw bar and hit my left kneecap a sharp, but not heavy-blow. Nothing was broken, but I had to look and see if the knee was bleeding. Nope! Just a tiny black and blue spot and another tiny red spot about an inch apart. I think the ripstop fabric of my Labonville "logging pants" kept the chain from breaking the skin. Sometimes it pays to be properly defended! I enjoy the challenge of cutting wood.

West Paris

By Joyce Lamb

The thermometer stays in the lower numbers, even below the freezing mark for several days. What a beautiful snowfall. The earth was white with three or four inches containing much water. It soon melted. As I did not need to get out I enjoyed the warmth and the TV and I always have plenty of books. I plan to keep extra canned food on hand also a well-stocked freezer. And I can always walk to Trap Corner for milk and eggs. I did catch up on the laundry. The loads are small compared to keeping a family of eight neat and clean.

On Sunday, Dec. 12, at the West Paris Universalist Church the Rev. Richard Beal has as his sermon topic, "What do We Make of the Virgin Birth?" All are invited.

On Christmas Eve the usual Candle Light service will be held at 6 p.m. Please join us.

The Goodwill Fellowship will gather on the 14th at Berly Bonney's to fill and deliver baskets for the shut-ins. The group will have their usual exchange of gifts followed with refreshments.

David Walton is doing well after his shoulder operation. His recovery gives me encouragement for I need my shoulders repaired too.

I finished my life's history and have it ready for my children and grandchildren for Christmas as they had requested. There are still more episodes to write about so will continue on to be added later. As for washing clothes my mother had a scrub board and then was very happy with a wringer washer. Her water was heated in the large copper boiler on the wood stove and the white clothes and sheets were boiled in the boiler to keep them white. Then all was hung outside on the porch. All winter most were brought in and thawed before ironing. A modern washer and dryer sure makes life much easier.

I have no desire for the good old days.

There is no sleeping late here for Muffin can tell time! She wakes me at six and insists it is time to eat.

Bryant Pond

By Alice Hoyt

Dec. 9 (today) is the Whitman Memorial Library program. Time is 1:30 p.m. Please note time change. The Woodstock Elementary School Chorus, under the direction of Linda Stowell, and a Sing-A-Long with Susan Glines. Come join them, no charge, light refreshments.

Judith Grover tent 17 DUVCW will hold their Christmas party and meeting on Dec. 13. Please bring a gift to exchange, and it's a tasting party.

Linda Stowell hosted an annual cookie making day on Saturday, Dec. 4. After the snow stopped, it was decided the event would go on, and Rachel Adams, with Ben, Josh, and Zack, along with Sarah Stowell, Abbey and Maya, showed up ready to go! Aunt Sue Glines was in charge of preparing the dough, and soon the operation was underway. Everyone had his or her own apron to wear, including one-year-old Zachary. They cut out many cookies -- angels, trees, stars and other shapes. After all the baking had been done, there was a brief break for lunch. Then came the decorating! There was a little tasting going on throughout the whole process! Everyone took home an assortment of cream cheese, molasses and peanut butter cookies that looked just as good as they tasted.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday school at 9:15, morning worship at 10:30, evening service at 6. Wednesday evening is prayer meeting at 6:30. Dec. 11 is Men's breakfast at 7 a.m. at Calvary Bible Church in Andover. Sunday, Dec. 19, at 6 p.m. is the Church Christmas program.

The Woodstock Extension will meet on Dec. 15 at the home of Alice Hoyt for a tasting party and exchange of gifts.

The Christmas tree lights on the common are very pretty. Thanks to the firemen for decorating it.

The Historical Society Museum actually has some furniture caned and made by Indians. It belonged to local author George Allan England, who was a friend of Hemingway and stayed with him in his Key West home. England had a camp on Lake Christopher and his daughter saved someone from drowning and was awarded the Carnegie Medal. He was also a distinguished graduate of Harvard. He ran as a Socialist for Governor of Maine. Woodstock had a citizen who became governor, Sidney Perham. He had a career on Paris Hill as well. He is buried in Lake-

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eside Cemetery. He served sometime around the Civil War and was active in Temperance and the Universalist Church.

Waterford

By Rockie Graham

My column didn't get printed last week, so this is part of that and more.

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving. I know we did. The turkey came out great and so did the pies and cranberry sauce that Deena made. We also had a green salad and potatoes and a sweet potato pie. We had a lot to be thankful for -- great friends, great food, a great new house. We have no complaints. Thank you to all who helped us during the past year.

As many of you know by now, I am back to work, at least one day a week, for now. It was great to see old friends and new ones and to get back into the groove of things. Look for me, probably on Saturdays for now.

This being December, we can plan on snow cancellations and sloppy roads. I'm planning on holing in for duration. I already gave up on Sunday because the roads were squirrely. Not for me when I didn't have to go anywhere. Today I shall venture out again. And today I did have to, but I lucked out, I only had to drive in the storm a short while. It only snowed from about 11:30 to 12:30 or 1. Then it was great. Elsewhere it didn't snow at all. And of course, up in Bangor and Down East, they got plastered.

Last night, I went to our annual Chanukah Celebration. It is fun for a person from each family to be able to light a menorah and celebrate the Festival of Lights which is Chanukah. This year Chanukah was early. It lasted until Wednesday, the 8th. Happy Chanukah to all!

Thursday, the 9th, ACA will meet at 10 a.m. at Waterford Library. We are working on Step 4, still. Come and join us. FMI call 739-9115.

Great to see people again at work. Hopefully this week we won't have more snow squalls and the wind will behave. Last week it was vi-

cious, again. I just bought new snow pants to keep dry and keep the wind from blowing through me. That is all for this week. Stay warm and stay safe on these roads. And thanks to Denny or whomever did such a good job sanding Hunt's Corner Road.

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Christmas at the Bethel Library

Christmas books are now on display at the Bethel Library. Patrons can check out five at a time.

Christmas gifts are also available at the library. You can buy a beautiful book bag that says Bethel Library for only \$6. You can also purchase a gift book for the library in the name of someone. Call the library at 824-2520 for further information on gift books.

The Cross Country Quilters display a "Quilt of the Month" at the library. The November quilt was made by Marlene Engdahl. It can be viewed in the library's front room during library hours.

The library is open Monday from 9 to 1 p.m.; Tuesday from 1 to 5 p.m.; Wednesday from 1 to 8 p.m.; Thursday and Friday from 1 to 5 p.m.; and Saturday from 9 to 1 p.m. If there is a large snowstorm, the library may not be able to open on schedule. In the event of inclement weather, the library staff suggests calling 824-2520 to see if they are open.

Art Exhibit at West Paris Library

"One Woman's Journey: the Art of Jane Porter Gibson" will open at the West Paris Library on Friday, Dec. 17. There will be an evening reception from 5 to 7 p.m., an opportunity to meet Jane and enjoy her work.

The Friends of the Library group timed this second exhibit in the new addition and the original castle, to coincide with the Christmas season. Jane's linoleum block prints were designed as Christmas

cards over the years. Each of these prints captures Jane and her husband Bill's life on their Stearns Hill farm in West Paris. These "moments," whether it is a rooster bringing the dawn, a black cat pausing at the farmhouse's snowy doorway, or steam rising from the sugar house in the spring air, announce with a beautiful simplicity the heartfelt spirituality of their daily lives. Many will be familiar with these images from the 2007 calendar, "Save the Barn on Stearns Hill Farm."

The show moves backward in time, tracing the artistic journey of a woman with many interests. It is clear she has had a lifelong fascination for older houses; "Red House" and "White House in Moonlight," as well as village and cityscapes; "Boston Remembered," and "Front Street" and "Abbott Hall, Marblehead." These tell of the time that preceded her and Bill's return to the family farm. "Red Rover" and "Hansel and Gretel" seem to foretell her future vocation, teaching young people. She has the distinction of being the first SAD 17 art teacher, eventually settling into the Agnes Gray school community in West Paris as the fourth-grade teacher.

Jane's first art class was at a small college in Nebraska where she majored in English literature, followed by graduate study in art education at Columbia Teacher's College in New York City. When Jane and Bill moved to Georgia with their two daughters, she was profoundly inspired by a local college art teacher.

Jane's art work has evolved over the years as her life experiences have changed and allowed her time to express her feelings in various media, including oils, crayons, ink, collage and most recently linoleum block printing.

The Gibsons continue to live on Stearns Hill, in a new house of Jane's design, built in the apple orchard above the farm.

The West Paris Public Library is proud to have this selection of Jane Gibson's art to share with the public during library hours: Monday and Friday, 1:30-6 p.m.; Wednesday, 1:30-7 p.m.; Saturday, 10-2 p.m., through Saturday, Jan. 29, 2011. FMI please call 874-2004.



SUCCESSFUL SANTA SUNDAY—Sunday River Ski Resort hosted Santa Sunday on Dec. 5. Two hundred fifty skiers dressed from head to toe in Santa costumes donate \$10 each and receive three days of free skiing. The donations go to the Rotary Club of Bethel's Christmas for Children program. After the Santas skied down hill together, a check for \$2,270 was presented to Rotary President Joe Arizzi and President Elect Ellie Andrews. The total raised as of Monday for the project was \$7,185. The goal is \$12,000. (Submitted photo)



MORE SUPPORT FOR CHRISTMAS FOR CHILDREN—Steve Etheridge (right), owner of Rooster's Roadhouse Restaurant & Pub in Bethel, recently presented a \$2,000 donation to the Bethel Rotary Club's Christmas for Children. The donation (an equal donation was made to the local charity, "Christmas for Families" a week earlier), represents a portion of the annual fundraising efforts of the local restaurant's management, staff and their patrons throughout the year. The efforts continue over the next few weeks, with customers sponsoring Holiday Ornaments that decorate the pub area at Rooster's. For a minimum donation of \$10, people receive a handmade "lobster claw" holiday tree ornament to take home, while supplies last.

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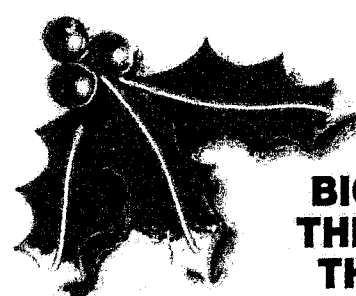
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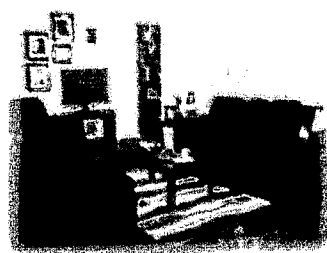
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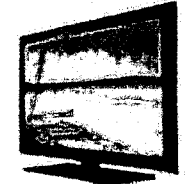


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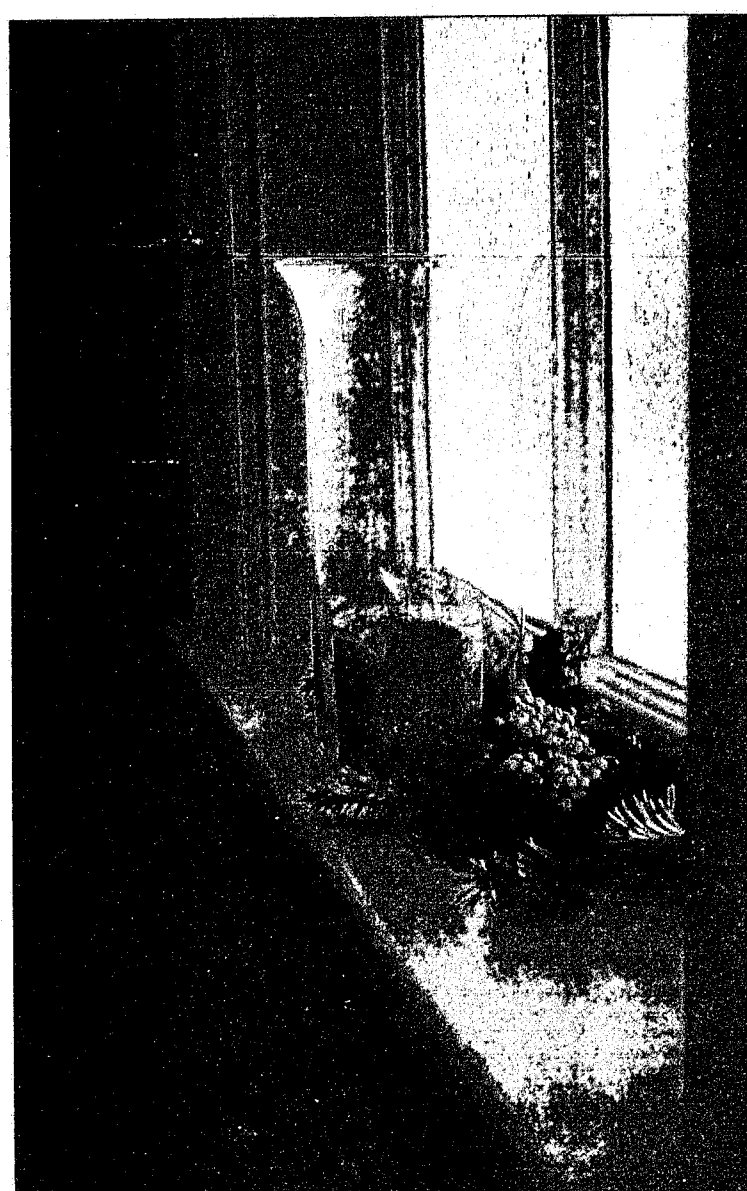
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Christmas in Bethel



Holiday events kicked into high gear this past weekend with activities all over Bethel. Top photos: The Christmas Tea at the West Parish Congregational Church. Standing, from left: Mary Stryker, Louise Lovejoy, Mary Moses, Leigh Dickinson and Jan Settele are serving tea. A candle burns in a church window. Second row: The Taste of Bethel at Telstar High School. Stephanie and Jack Day are served at left by Jon Hooper of Good Food Store and Smokin' Good BBQ. An unidentified family chooses goodies at the Sudbury Inn table. Bottom photos: Savannah Sessions serves cider at left at the Moses Mason House for "Christmas with the Masons." At right Conni St. Pierre plays the harp in the parlor.

(Photos: tea and Day photos, A. Aloisio; others, Carol Savage)



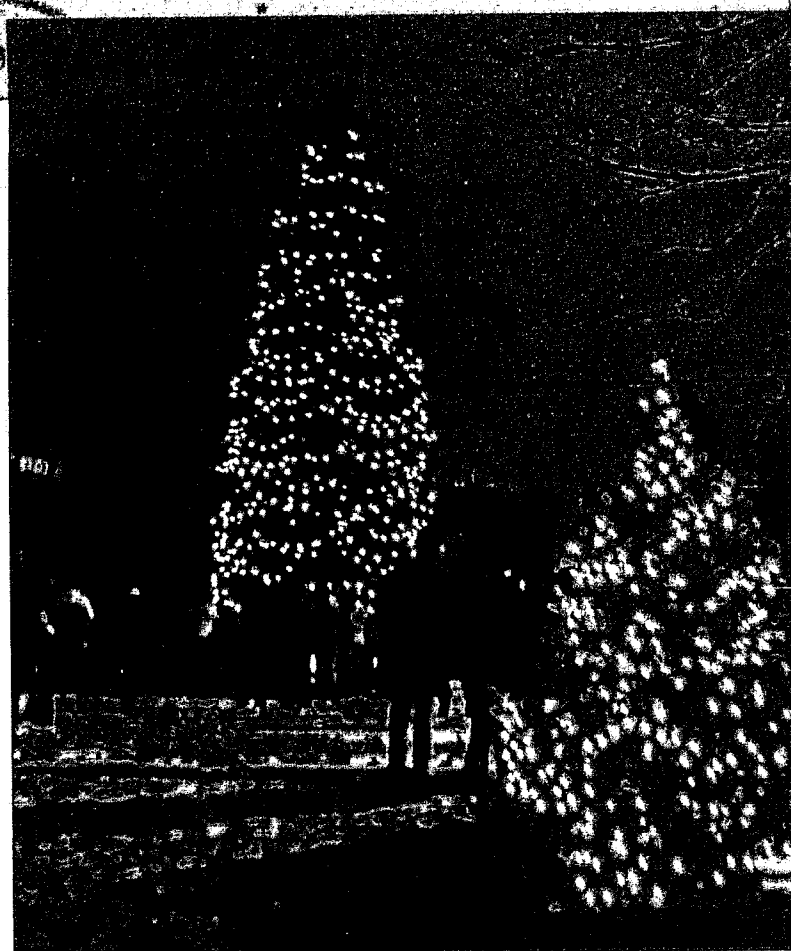
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From top to bottom:
a youngster gets help
attaching jingle bells.
Members of the Telstar
Junior Class hold a raffle at
the Business & Home Expo
at Telstar as a fundraiser
for the Prom, Graduation
and other class activities.
Front: Kallie Brown, Naomi
Ellsworth, and Kendra Carter.
Back: Jonah Thurlow, Ben
Lewis, and Kyle Peterson.
Mrs. Claus leads the Jingle
Bell Run up Main Street in
Bethel. Santa Claus arrives
at the Common after riding
on a Bethel Fire Department
truck. The Christmas tree
is lit on the Common. Two
young men make their
Christmas wishes known to
Santa.
(Photos: top three, Carol Savage;
others, A. Aloisio)



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BOYS' AND GIRLS' STATE BANQUET-On Nov. 18 the Jackson-Silver Post 68 and the Mundt-Allen Post 81 held a joint Boys' and Girls' State Banquet at the Legion Hall in Locke Mills. Following a delicious meal, Unit President Evanna Grover introduced Jean Lawrence and Victoria Forkus, who attended Girls' State and Commander Wayne Hakala introduced Troy Ashcroft, who attended Boys' State. Unit 81 President Jeri Greenwell introduced Rose Wright, Grace Stover, and Kathryn Stover. All three girls attended Girls State. Absent was Samantha Tibbetts. After introductions each student spoke briefly about how much they learned and were glad they all participated in Boys' State and Girls' State. Also present were Post 81 Commander Bob McCartney and Paul L'Heureux, Past Department Commander and National Executive Committee Alternate. Pictured from left: Jeri Greenwell, Evanna Grover, Jean Lawrence, Victoria Forkus, Bob McCartney, Grace Stover, Kathryn Stover, Rose Wright, Troy Ashcroft, Wayne Hakala, Al Lake, and Paul L'Heureux.

Christmas with the Masons

Nearly sixty persons attended the annual "Christmas at the Mason House" at the 1813 Dr. Moses Mason House in Bethel on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 5, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. The early 19th century residence on the Bethel Hill common was decorated with evergreen boughs, berries and fruit for the holidays; fireplaces were blazing and candles lit. Harp music played by Connie St. Pierre was enjoyed in the parlor, and hot mulled cider was served from the hearth in the winter kitchen by new volunteer Savannah Sessions. Special holiday cookies and other fancy desserts made by Allan Marcotte, Mary Ennis, Rachel Mackay, Marvin Ouwinga and Stan Howe were available in the dining room. Hosts and hostesses for the afternoon event were Lorrie Hoeh, Alan Marcotte, Mary Ennis and Savannah

Sessions.

Following the open house, there was a special gathering in the Mason House Exhibit Hall to thank the many individuals who volunteered in 2010.

Among those honored were the following: June Abbott, William Andrews, Avery Angvine, Pauline Applin, Dot Bartlett, Karen and Don Bean, Jackie Bell, Bessie Bennett, Don and Kathy Bennett, Jay Boschetti, Jack Brooks, Musa Brown, Norman and Sylvia Clanton, Brad Clarke, Allen Cressy, Amy Davis, Nancy Davis, Polly Davis, Barbara and Bob Dion, Grace Douglass, Edie Doyle, Dennis and Gemma Dreher, Mary Ennis, Ginny Gamble, Caroline Gould, Wende Gray, Dick and Jan Hale, Jean Hankins, Rodney Harrington, Annie Hastings, Betty Ann Hastings, Walter and Carol Hatch, Charles Heino, Susan Herlihy, Lorrie and Dick Hoeh, Ann Holt, Barbara Honkala, Jane Hosterman, Ginny Hutchins, Arlan Jordrey, Tim Kavanaugh, Virginia Kelly, Becky Kendall, Mary Keniston, Kathy Kunkle, Ar-

lene Lowell, Tammy MacDor-mand, Jim Macgregor, Rachel and Blake MacKay, Allan Marcotte, Grace McKivergan, Nancy Mercer, Florence Morgan, Cathy Newell, George Nickerson, Jack and Lucy Nordahl, Ted Orino, Marvin and Tineke Ouwinga, Jean Owen, Charlie Raymond, Lucia Schwarz, Stephen Seames, Savannah Sessions, David and Maryjane Shiverick, Vicki Smith, Katie Stover, Jan Stowell, Bill Strauss, Kent Taylor, Sarah Tucker, Jackie Van Leuven, Dean and Priscella Walker, Nancy Stowell Wight, Margaret Wight, Asher Wilson, Dennis Wilson, Edna York, and Jane Young. Executive Director Randall H. Bennett expressed sincere thanks to all of the above for their dedicated service during the past year.

He then presented the 2010 Marjorie MacArthur Noll Volunteer Service Award to Jean K. Owen of Bethel for her long record of distinguished service to the society. "Jean is always eager to help in any way possible," Bennett said in making the award. "She

is very gracious and noted for her attention to detail," he added. "She so thoroughly embodies the spirit of Mrs. Noll in her positive attitude and strong desire to serve the organization in so many ways," he continued in honoring Mrs. Owen.

Established in 1985, the Noll Volunteer Service Award honors the memory of Marjorie MacArthur Noll, one of the most dedicated society volunteers, and is presented annually to an individual who has provided outstanding service to the Society.

Founded in 1966, the Bethel Historical Society is western Maine's largest and most comprehensive historical agency. With over 1,000 members, the society fosters a sense of place - with a focus on western Maine and the White Mountain region - by collecting, preserving, displaying and interpreting historically significant artifacts and documents for residents, visitors, students, and scholars. Through its exhibits, programs, events, and publications, the society makes the region's history

meaningful, accessible, and enjoyable.

In 1974, the society acquired the former Broad Street residence of Dr. Moses Mason, which now contains a period house museum, exhibit hall and research library. In 1999, the society opened the O'Neil Robinson House (next door at 10 Broad Street) to the public for an expanded exhibit program, museum shop space, and administrative offices.

Over the past forty years, the society's achievements have been recognized by a number of state and national organizations. For more information: 824-2908 / 800-824-2910 / info@bethelhistorical.org.

Waterford Fair Meeting

The Waterford World's Fair would like to invite all past, present and anyone interested in becoming a new member to our annual Christmas potluck/meeting. It will be held

on Sunday, Dec. 12 at noon at the Waterford Town Hall. Please bring any suggestions or new ideas with you for input.

Also feel free to bring your favorite dish or dessert to share. The regular Fair meeting will begin at 2 p.m. and all are welcome to attend this meeting.

At a recent Fair meeting new officers were elected as follows: president, Dana Hemingway; vice president, Bill Winslow; secretary, Renee Fitts; treasurer, Bob Dixon.

The Fair recently purchased a mobile lunch wagon to be used next summer at local events in the area and they are looking for a small (8 foot to 12 foot) enclosed utility trailer to store extra supplies and equipment in and if anyone has one or knows of one they could be purchased by the fair, (or better donated) you may call Dana at 595-2430 or Bill at 595-1601 with more info or questions.

School Lunch

Week of Dec. 13
Telstar Lunches

Monday: Shrimp poppers, baked sweet potato wedges, 2 cook's hot sandwiches, pizza choices.
Tuesday: Homemade macaroni and cheese w/ hot dog, mixed vegetables, chicken patty/bun, pizza choices.
Wednesday: Super nachos, meat sauce and cheese over chips, salsa, chicken patty/bun, pizza choices.
Thursday: Christmas roast pork, mashed potato, seasoned native squash, homemade dinner roll, cranberry sauce, savory stuffing, blueberry crisp, hot sandwich choice, pizza choices.
Friday: Hot meatball sub, shredded cheese, oven fries, cheeseburger/bun, cook's choice sandwich. Fruit and vegetable bar available daily.

SAD44 Elementary Schools Lunches

Monday: Shrimp poppers, or hamburger/w.w roll, or pbj uncrustable, baked sweet potato wedges.
Tuesday: Homemade macaroni and cheese w/ hot dog/bun, crunchy cole slaw, or pbj sandwich.
Wednesday: Super nachos, meat sauce and cheese over chips, salsa, fruit cup, or chicken patty/bun, or pbj sandwich.
Thursday: Baked ham, mashed potato, seasoned native squash, homemade dinner roll, cranberry sauce, blueberry crisp, or pbj sandwich.
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"We are going to be a young and inexperienced team at the High School Varsity level this year, trying to revive the program after last year's hiatus. The team will rely on the leadership of its three senior captains, Emma Davis, Cheyenne Day, and Nicena Walker, as well as Jenna Putnam who along with Davis are the only girls to play at the High School level last year on the boy's team. What we are lacking in experience the team is more than making up with enthusiasm, energy, and great team support. Seventeen is a tough number to juggle, especially with playing time at the varsity level, but we are going to work this season to get really good at the basics trying to improve with each and every game. It is hard to say what the season will bring, but I am optimistic and truly believe we have the potential to surprise some people as the season progresses."

Coach Mark Kenney

Honor roll

The following students were named to the honor roll at Woodstock Elementary School for the first quarter of school year 2010-2011:

Grade 4
All A's: Abby Mink.
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Koskela, Joe Dillon.
Grade 5
All A's: Blake Rothwell, Russell Cushman, Duncan Forbes.
A's and B's: Mykiah Bennett, Tiffany Waterhouse, Richard McLean, Maria Rodriguez, Krystamarie Welch, Madison Hayes.
All B's: Makayla Rice.



COMPLETES BASIC TRAINING—Air National Guard Airman 1st Class Chelsea M. Bean graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills. She is the daughter of Aimee Harmon of Bethel and Tim Bean of East Andover. Bean graduated in 2008 from Telstar Regional High School.

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Bethel Alliance Church - Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Pastor; Jim Rose, Youth Pastor. Sundays: Sunday school for adults and children at 9 a.m.; Worship Service at 10 a.m.; Kidz Klub (4 yrs.-5th grade) and High School Youth Group (9th-12th grade) at 5:30 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grade) at 5 p.m. For more information, call 824-2289.
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Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, Our Lady of the Snows - 265 Walkers Mills Road (Rt. 26), The Rev. Philip Tracy. Saturday Mass, 6 p.m. Office 364-4556, announcements 824-2933.

Episcopal House Church - Third Sunday of the month, 4 p.m. For details: 824-3932.

West Parish Congregational - Church Street, Rev. Virginia Rickeman, Pastor. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School. Nursery and child care provided. Tuesdays: 8 a.m., informal Prayer Group with coffee in the Chapel. All are welcome. First Wednesday of the month: 8 a.m., Mens' Breakfast in the Dining Room downstairs. Entrance in rear of church. Thursdays: 7 p.m. Choir Practice in the Sanctuary. New voices welcome. FMI: 824-2689; 824-0550.

United Methodist - Carol Stevens, Pastor. 9 a.m. Sunday Worship. Bible Study, 1 p.m. Wednesday. FMI: 824-0797.

West Bethel Union - Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. For information, call 836-3533 or 836-2882. Rev. John Williams.

Pleasant Valley Bible
- Pastor Aaron McNally. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30 p.m.; Small group Bible study, Tuesday 6 p.m.; Awana Club (3-6 grades), Sunday 5-7 p.m. FMI 836-3006 or 824-2037.

Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Sunday: Bible class, 9 a.m.; Worship Service 10 a.m. Wednesday: Bible study, 7 p.m.. 824-3577 FMI.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship

Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. For more info, call 824-8939.

EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC), located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9 a.m., followed by Bible Study at 9:15 a.m.

GORHAM, NH

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul Levigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.. FMI 603-466-2851.

Gorham Congregational Church - Interim minister Rev. Kent Schneider. Sunday morning worship, 10 a.m. All welcome; free coffee. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. FMI 603-466-2136.

LOCKE MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sondra Withey. Sunday morning service will begin at 9 a.m. Bible study at the church is every Tuesday at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome.

NEWRY

Sunday River Christian Ministry: Interdenominational worship with the Rev. Don Coverdale, seasonal Christmas Eve through Easter. Sunday 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at White Cap, on the second floor. For more information, 824-5896 (recording).

NORWAY/PARIS

First Church of Christ, Scientist - Sunday service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony service 7:30 p.m. 5 Morrill Rd./Rt. 118 (catercorner to Norway Country Club), Norway. Call 824-4099 FMI or ride.

Trinity Lutheran Church - Route 117, S. Paris. Pastors Kim Marie and Tom

Myhre. Sunday School at 9 a.m.; Sunday morning service 10:15 a.m. with coffee, refreshments and good fellowship. Bible Study, Wednesdays 7 p.m.

North Paris Federation - Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m.. Pastor Bruce Tyner. 674-2968. Singers third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m..

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) - Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris across the park from the Post Office. Call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012 for more information.

Christ Episcopal Church

- 35 Paris St., Sunday Services 9 a.m., June-Aug.; Sunday School at 10 a.m. Informal worship at 5 p.m. Sundays. Healing service with communion 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday. Rev. Anne Stanley. Call 743-6782 for more info.

First Baptist Church of Paris - On the Common at the top of Paris Hill. 10:30 am worship service. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour follows the service. Fellowship lunch held the first Sunday of each month following worship. Pastor Ron Blake.

St. Catherine's - Saturday 6 p.m. Vigile Mass; Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Unitarian Universalist Church of Norway

- 11 am worship. (Sept - June) Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11 am-12:15 pm. FMI 743-2828.

OXFORD

St. Mary's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass.

Our Lady of Ransom: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass.

RUMFORD

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church - Holy Communion, 9:30 a.m. Rev. Tim Parsons, Priest-in-charge. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the rotary.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, St. Athanasius and St. John - 125 Main Ave., The Rev. Philip Tracy. Saturday Mass, 4 pm; Sunday Mass, 9:30 am; Weekday Mass, 8 a.m. Office 364-4556.

Praise Assembly of God - Pastor Justin Thacker. 986 Prospect Ave. Adult and teen Sunday school 9 a.m.

Sunday worship service at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday night bible study 6:45 pm. FMI call 364-3856 or see our website at www.praiseassemblyofgod.net.

RUMFORD POINT

Rumford Point Church - Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Sondra Withey.

SUMNER

East Sumner Congregational - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m.

WEST PARIS

Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris - 9 a.m. worship. Rev. Richard Beal. 674-2143.

West Paris Baptist

- Sunday Worship 9:15 am., Bruce Tyner, Pastor. Sunday School Preschool thru kindergarten 9:45 am. Sunday School Grades 1-6, 10:25 am. Sunday evening worship 7:00 p.m.; Monday Diaconette meeting first Monday of the month; Tuesday ladies fellowship meets the fourth Tuesday of every month. Tea & Toys Time Bi-Weekly 9:30-11:30 am. Adult Choir Wednesday evenings, Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer 7 pm, church business meetings the third Wednesday of the month.

West Paris Congregational Church - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.; Sunday School 10 a.m.

WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Larry Hodgkins. Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service 6:00 p.m.; Wednesdays: Prayer & bible study 6:30 p.m.; Fridays: Youth Group 7-12th grade, 6:30 pm

Woodstock Seventh day Adventist - Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school, 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock) - Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

Mahoosuc Mountain Friends - a worship group meeting in the un-programmed tradition of Friends (Quakers) - Sundays, 9:30 a.m. at the Whitman Memorial Library. Bryant Pond. Newcomers welcome. Call Dick Stratton at 824-8055 FMI.

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Harvest Gold Gallery, Harvest Gold Gallery, Route 5, Center Lovell, now showing work by self-taught local artist Thomas K. Merriam of Lovell. FMI: 925-6502 or visit www.harvestgoldgallery.com Open daily.

Thru December 15

Holiday Online Auction bidding opens and runs thru midnight Dec. 15. Sponsored by Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, auction will offer 50-plus items. Anyone interested in bidding – go to www.bethelmaine.com and click on Register to Bid, or call 824-2282 for help.

Thursday, Dec. 9

1:30 p.m. - **Whitman Memorial Library**, Bryant Pond, features chorus from Woodstock Elementary School, directed by Susan Stowell, and a Christmas sing-a-long with Susan Glines. Everyone welcome. Light refreshments served.

6:15 p.m. - **Bethel Masonic Supper/Meeting** (7:30 p.m.) at Masonic Hall

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Dec. 10, 11, 12

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Friday/Saturday), 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Sunday) - **McLaughlin Garden**, South Paris, hosts **Trees & Trains** in the Barn. Cost: \$3 members/\$5 non-members/\$3 children/ under 5 free. FMI: 743-8820.

December, 10, 18, 31

7 to 10 p.m. Dec. 10, 18 - **Jones Dance Band** at South Paris Legion Hall (adults \$5). Friday, Dec. 31, New Year's Eve dance and buffet (\$15 single/\$30 couple) 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. For New Year's reservation call Betty Decoteau (743-7965).

Saturday, Dec. 11

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. - **Craft Fair** at Andover Fire Station by Andover Fire Association. Soup and sandwiches available at noon. Santa arrives 1 p.m. Crafters: for tables call Elaine Morton at 392-1140.

2 to 4 p.m. - **Free Horse-Drawn Wagon Rides** through Bethel starting at Bethel Common – sponsored by Maine Street Realty & Rentals.

Dec 11, Jan. 22, Feb. 19, March 19

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. - **Heartsaver CPR and First Aid** classes at Oxford Public Safety Building. Certification in one day only - accepted for day care, foster parents, Maine guides, forestry, and non-healthcare position. FMI: Patty 671-4460 or pluked@yahoo.com

Sunday, Dec. 12

Noon - **Waterford World's Fair** annual Christmas

potluck/meeting at Waterford Town Hall. Feel free to bring your favorite dish or dessert to share. Meeting begins at 2 p.m. and all welcome.

4 p.m. - **Mahoosuc Community Band Holiday Concert** at West Parish Congregational Church.

Monday, Dec. 13

6:30p.m. - **The Toe Tappin' Jazz Dance Studio** presents "A Boogie Woogie Christmas" at Telstar High School Auditorium (storm date: Tuesday, Dec. 14). Tickets at door: \$7 adults/\$5 students/free for age 3 and under. Doors open 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 14

10 a.m. - **Maine Educational Opportunity Center** free workshop at Rumford Career Center, 35 Congress Street. FMI or register (800) 281-3703 or <http://meoc.maine.edu>

Noon - **Senior Christmas Luncheon** put on by Bethel Rotary Club at American Legion Post 68, Gore Road, Locke Mills.

Dec. 14, Jan. 10, Feb. 22, March 15

6:30 to 8:30 p.m. - **Healthcare Provider Re-Certification** classes at Oxford Public Safety Building. FMI: Patty 672-4460 or pluked@yahoo.com

Thursday, Dec. 16

6 p.m. - **Holiday Concert** at Andover Elementary School.

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Dec. 16, 17, 18

7 p.m. Thurs./Fri.-2 p.m. Sat. - **A Christmas Carol** (Charles Dickens holiday classic) presentation by Telstar High School Theater Department at Helen C. Berry Auditorium. Admission free. Donations accepted. Refreshments available. FMI: 824-2136.

Oddfellow Theater, Buckfield, presents **Bah Hoonchbach** a Very Odd Christmas Carol 7:30 p.m. on the 16th, 17th, 18th with matinees on the 18th and 19th at 2 p.m. Tickets: matinees \$8 all ages; evenings \$14 adults, \$12 seniors, \$8 children 12 and under. FMI and tickets: 336-3306 or visit www.oddfellow.com.

Friday, Dec. 17

5 to 7 p.m. - **One Woman's Journey, the art of Jane Porter Gibson** opening reception at West Paris Library. FMI: 674-2004.

7 p.m. - **Art Moves Holiday Show** in Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School auditorium. Advance tickets \$5 on sale Dec. 1 available at Books 'n Things, Norway. FMI: 743-5569.

Saturday, Dec. 18

7 p.m. - **Waterford Library Holiday Community Gathering** on Waterford Common with candle lit caroling. Refreshments at library after. Santa will be there for the children.

Sunday, Dec. 19

4 p.m. - **Annual Christmas Cantata**, "Rise Up! A New Light A Comin'" will be held at Locke Mills Union Church with Bev Melville, director, and mixed choir from area churches. Refreshments by Ladies Circle. Everyone welcome.

5 p.m. - **The Living Nativity** with local people and live animals at Bethel village common. Dress warm. FMI: 824-2289.

Monday, Dec. 20

10 a.m. - **Maine Educational Opportunity Center** free workshops, Essentials of College Planning at South Paris Career Center, 232 Main Street. FMI or register: (800) 281-3703 or <http://meoc.maine.edu>

Wednesday, Dec. 22

7 p.m. - **Blue Christmas Service**, ecumenical service led by the Rev. Virginia Rickman and the Rev. Carol Stevens at West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. Join with others and acknowledge "blue" feelings we have at Christmas, the reasons for them, and offer them to God.

Friday, Dec. 24

7 p.m. - **Candlelight Christmas Eve Service** at Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walker's Mills Road. Joint service with Bethel Church of the Nazarene.

Wednesday, Dec. 29

4:30 - 6:30 p.m. - **Community Supper** (no charge) at Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walker's Mills Road; Call 824-2289 for more information.

Tuesday, Jan. 4 and 5

7 p.m. - **Adele Myers and Dancers**, hosted by Mahoosuc Arts Council as part of Gould Academy's Performing Arts Series at Bingham Auditorium on Jan. 4. The troupe will perform at Telstar Regional Middle and High schools and for area home-schooled and district charter school students on Jan. 5 at 7 p.m. at Telstar Helen Berry Auditorium. Tickets: \$10 adults/\$6 children and seniors. FMI: 824-3575 or e-mail info@mahoosucarts.org or visit www.mahoosucarts.org

REGULAR MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Municipal

Bethel selectmen: Second and fourth Mondays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Bethel Planning Board: Second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Bethel Water District: Third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Gilead Selectmen: Second Wednesdays of the month, 6 p.m., Town Office

Gilead Planning Board: First Thursdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Greenwood selectmen: First and third Tuesdays of the month, 5 p.m., Town Office.

Hanover Selectmen: Third Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m. unless otherwise posted.

Hanover Planning Board: First Wednesday of the month, 6 p.m.

Newry selectmen: First and third Mondays of the month, 4 p.m., Town Office.

Newry Planning Board: First and third Wednesdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Woodstock selectmen: First and third Tuesdays, 5 p.m., Town Office.

Woodstock Planning Board: First and third Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Town Office

SAD 44 School Board: Second and fourth Mondays of the month, 7 p.m., Telstar High School (occasionally meet at other schools; call 824-2185 for info).

Organizations

Andover

Mondays, **TOPS Program** in Andover at First Congregational Church. Weigh-in 5:30 to 6 p.m. meetings 6 to 6:30 p.m. Annual Tops membership: \$26. FMI: Tina (557-8804) or Sharon (392-4351).

Bethel

First Sunday of month, 7 p.m. - **Bethel Snow Twisters** at 208 Walkers Mills Rd.

Tuesdays, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. - **Meditation and more with Mountain Heart Sangha**, mindfulness community practicing awareness, understanding, acceptance, harmony and love in tradition of Zen Buddhist Teacher Thich Nhat Hanh at Café DiCocoa. FMI: Cynthia Handlen 671-1532 or Cynthia.handlen@gmail.com. All welcome.

Wednesdays, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. - **TOPS** at Bethel Alliance Church (weigh-in 5:30-6).

Thursdays 1 to 3 p.m. - **Cross Country Quilters** of Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Maine meet at Moses Mason House Barn, corner

of Broad and Mason streets, Bethel. All quilters welcome. FMI: e-mail PatMcCartney@pquilts@yahoo.com or call Kathy Thrall at 824-3111.

Thursdays, 9 to 10 a.m. - **Story Time for Children** at Bethel Library (story plus craft) with Michele Perejda. FMI: call 824-2520.

Woodstock

Second Saturday of month, 6 p.m. - **Woodstock Historical Society** meeting at the Museum.

West Paris

Sundays: 2 to 4 p.m. Open House at **Finnish-American Heritage Center**, 8 Maple Street, West Paris. Public invited. Museum, gift shop, library open.

Norway/Paris

Mondays 6:30 p.m. - **Hillsmen Barbershop Chorus** rehearses at Catholic Church, Norway, New singers welcome. FMI: call Dr. Tere Porter 743-0656 evenings or Pat Fleck at 647-5005

Every Wednesday, 7 to 9 p.m. The Yet To be Named Banjo Club practices Fare Share Market, 477 Main Street, Norway. Interested banjoists invited to join. Public welcome. FMI: call Alan Hamilton at 875-2680

Tuesdays 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. thru May - **Family Playtime** at Norway Memorial Library for parents/caregivers and children 1 thru 4. Drop-in program. FMI: 743-5308.

SUPPORT SERVICES

ABUSED WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5086; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

AA MEETINGS/ADDICTION HELP

Bethel Freedom Group. Open Discussion Meeting. Saturdays at 4:30 in the Snow Cap Inn conference room, next to the fitness room. Sunday River. Seasonal, Thanksgiving through April 1. **Big Book Meeting** Sundays at 6 pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. **12 Step/Traditions Meeting** Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. **Open Discussion Meeting** Fridays at 6 pm at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street.

People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (calls confidential)

Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families (ACOA or ACA) meeting at Waterford Library (Route 37 across from the Commons) Thursdays, 10 to 11 a.m. All welcome. FMI

call 739-9115.

CANCER WELLNESS

Support and Education for cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. Every Thursday, 1:30-3:00pm. Rumford Hospital, Room 357. (877) 336-7287. Call to confirm during stormy weather.

EXCHANGES

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday 1-4 pm, Thursday 4-6pm and Saturday, 10am-12pm.

HELP FOR THE HOMELESS

Rumford Group Homes, Inc. operates three homeless shelters, a transitional living program for youth 18-21, homeless youth outreach and case management services for adults and children. Emergency shelter includes the South Paris Men's Shelter, the Norway Family Center for women and children in crisis, and our Rumford Family Center in Rumford for families. To make a referral or request help in the South Paris area, call 743-6363 or call 369-9439 for help in the Rumford area M-F 9a-5p. For more information on Rumford Group Homes, Inc. call 384-3551 or visit www.rumfordgrouphomes.org.

MENTAL ILLNESS

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5pm; Tuesday 9am-2pm; Wednesday 9 am-8 pm; Wednesday 3-8pm; Friday 2-7pm; Saturday 11am-4pm. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8am-4pm. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

VETERANS' SERVICES

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, Veterans' Advocate visits its first and third Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Rumford 9-12 noon second Thursday at VA Clinic at 431 Franklin St. (369-3272). Maine Veterans' Services is located at 29 Westminster St., Lewiston (783-5306). (No visits in July)

MULTIPLE SERVICES

Community Concepts provides Oxford County Head Start, childcare, free rides to Maine Care appointments, subsidized apartments (Bethel, Brownfield, Fryeburg, Norway, Rumford, South Paris), affordable home-ownership opportunities, homeless shelter and assistance with home heating or weatherizing. FMI: call (800) 866-5588 or visit www.community-concepts.org.

LIBRARY HOURS

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday 1-4:30 pm; Thursday 1-4:30 & 6-8 pm. Tel: 392-4841

Bethel Library: Monday 9-1; Tuesday 1-5; Wednesday 1-8; Thursday & Friday 1-5 Saturday, 9-1. Story Hour Mondays, 10-11 am October to May. Tel: 824-2520.

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel: 665-2505. Tuesday 1:30-5; Thursday 1:30-7.

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-6; Wednesday 1:30-7; Friday 1:30-6; Saturday 10-2. Patty Makley, Librarian. Tel: 674-2004

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 9-3; Thursday, 5-8; Saturday, 9-noon.

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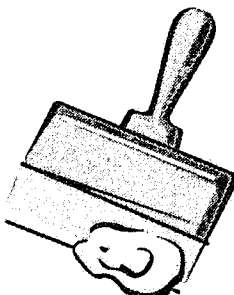
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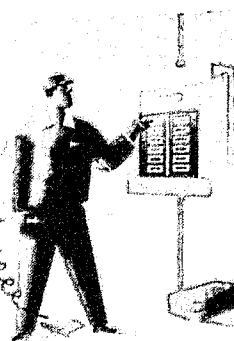


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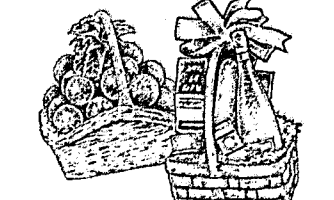


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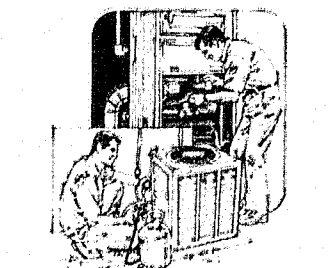
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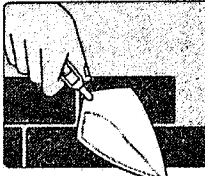
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Holiday Party at The Bethel Inn Resort Saturday, December 11

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Free Horse-Drawn Wagon Rides Saturday, December 11

Free horse-drawn wagon rides, 2-4pm on the Bethel Common. FMI: Bethel Area Chamber 824-2282

A Boogie Woogie Christmas Monday, December 13, 2010

6:30pm - 8:00pm at Telstar Regional High School. Family and friends are invited to join the students from Toe Tappin' Jazz Dance Studio as they present this Christmas recital. \$7.00 Adults, \$5.00 Students, 3 and under free.

Free Horse-Drawn Wagon Rides Saturday, December 18

Free horse-drawn wagon rides, 2-4pm on the Bethel Common. FMI: Bethel Area Chamber 824-2282

A Christmas Carol December 16-18

December 16, 17, 18 at 7:00 pm, matinee December 18 at 2:00 pm. Helen C. Berry Auditorium at Telstar Regional Middle/High School. The Telstar Regional High School Theater Department proudly presents Charles Dickens' holiday classic "A Christmas Carol." The high school cast and crew will offer audiences of all ages a special time filled with the spirit of the season. "A Christmas Carol" is family-friendly and admission is free. Donations will be accepted and refreshments will be available.

The Living Nativity Sunday, December 19

A live re-enactment of the nativity using real people and live animals is very inspiring! This event is held outside every year on the Bethel village common. Dress warm and come to the common on Sunday, Dec. 19, at 5:00pm to view this scene performed by local people... and animals. I wonder which new family will play Mary, Joseph, and the baby Jesus this year!

New Year's at the Bethel Historical Society Friday, December 31

Mark the end of the old year and the beginning of the new in the heart of Bethel's National Historic District. This fun-filled evening of celebration and activities will include a potluck supper, a dragon parade for children, a candlelight open house at the 1813 residence of Dr. and Mrs. Moses Mason, refreshments and a sing-a-long in the Society's exhibit hall, performances by the Senior Players, and marshmallow roasting in the yard between the Mason and Robinson houses. 5:00 to 10:00 PM; free, but donations appreciated.

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Danielle and Brandon Pratt to Eric and Jennifer Easley of Boxford, Mass., unspecified at 32 Forest Drive, \$270,000, Aug. 31, 2010.

Savage Land Development to Jason Forget of Los Altos, Calif., lots 4 and 7 in Hapgood Homestead, Aug. 31, 2010

David North to Kevin McGee of Marshfield, Mass., land and building in Will View Subdivision, \$74,900, Sept. 3, 2010.

George and Patti Sleeper to Blanton Nicholas of Jamestown, R.I., land and building at 114 Bird Hill Road, \$38,500, Sept. 3, 2010.

John and Susan Hutchins to Gregory and Janette Cunningham of Lovell, land and building at 45 Paradise Road, \$169,000, Sept. 8, 2010.

Savage Land Development to Kennebec Land Company of Coventry, R.I., unspecified off Broad Street and Fairway Lane, \$350,000, Sept. 8, 2010.

Swan Hill Corp. to Mark and Susan Bailey of Ipswich, Mass., lot 12 in Swan Hill at Intervale, \$25,000, Sept. 20, 2010.

Geneva McCoy to the State of Maine Department of Conservation, land at the North and Gibson roads, \$345,000, Sept. 30, 2010.

GREENWOOD

No reportable transactions.

NEWRY

Maine Mountain Trust to Shawn and Kelly McGowan of Newfields, N.H., land in The Peaks Village, \$105,000, Oct. 8, 2010.

Joseph DeAngelis to Carol Greenlaw of Freeport, land at 1342 Sunday River Road, \$110,000, Oct. 22, 2010.

Michael Bosse to Joseph Tamburini and Erica Gregg of Jamestown, R.I., unspecified at 84 Morganite Way, \$400,000, Oct. 22, 2010.

Diane Cabral to Robert Currier of Bethel, unspecified, \$62,000, Oct. 26, 2010.

WOODSTOCK

Joshua Lemay to Jobparks Trust of Norway, Maine, land on Shagg Pond Road, \$23,000, Sept. 27, 2010.

Federal National Mortgage Association to Dean and Karen Martin of Lancaster, Mass., land and building at 14 Gore Road, \$159,500, Sept. 30, 2010.

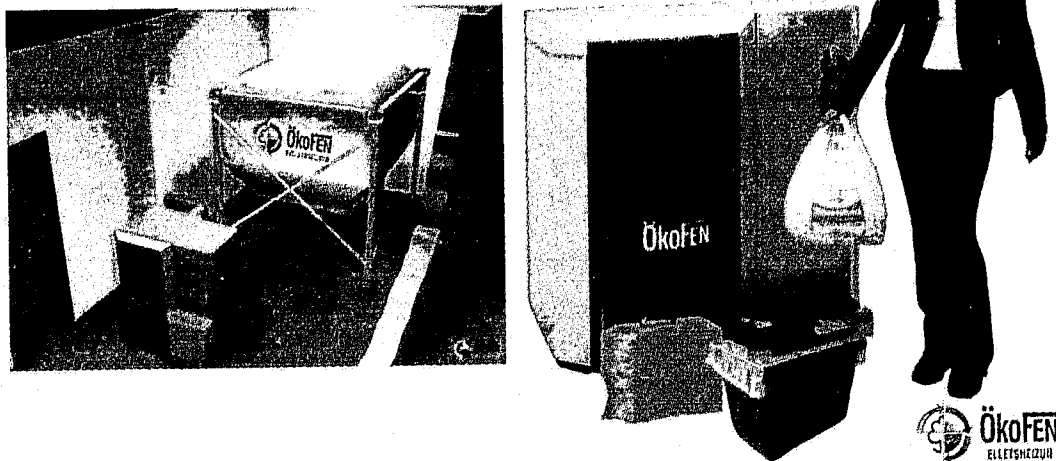
Northern New England Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists to Teri Lee Seaton of Millsboro, land on Fuller Hill Road, \$23,500, Oct. 5, 2010.

Mainly Trees to Hillary Jean Stevens of Newark, Del., unspecified on Concord Pond Road, \$220,000, Oct. 22, 2010.

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Ash: The AutoPellet's ash removal system makes it stand out from its competitors. Ash is removed from the floor of the boiler chamber by a small auger, which compresses the ash into a storage bin. The system reports when it is time to remove the ash from the storage container, which is then dumped easily into a degradable bag for disposal or spreading on the garden. This process is required infrequently, two or three times a year in most cases, is very clean, and takes but a few minutes.

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MESYS primary mission is to support a transition to the use of renewable wood pellet fuel for heating of homes and businesses. MESYS systems will keep home and business owners comfortable with their heat and comfortable in the knowledge that they are being good stewards of our environment. This fuel transition will not only lower costs for users in the long run, it will also help reduce their carbon footprint.

real estate transactions continued...

Robert L. L'Heureux Revocable Trust to Andrew and Michelle Crowe of Natick, Mass., land and building at 360 Gore Road, \$120,000, Oct. 22, 2010.

Getting Your Kitchen Ready For The Holidays



(StatePoint) "Broken appliances can really ruin a holiday," says Jamie Breneman, contributor to TheSavvyShopperBlog.com and spokesperson for N.E.W. Customer Service Companies. "But by following a few simple steps, you can prevent common failures and extend the life of your appliances."

Protect Your Oven

Self-cleaning options can be real time-savers, but they also stress your oven. During the holidays, wait to run the self-cleaning cycle until after the major meals are done.

Also, purchase an oven thermometer to make sure

Karen Dunham to John E. Cox III of Bryant Pond, land and building at 60 Andrews Hill Road, \$10,000, Oct. 28, 2010.

About the listings: The information above has been compiled from the latest public records in the individual

the oven is heating properly. If not, you may want to have a professional technician from a vetted service vendor come and check it before the holiday cooking begins.

Replace the Aged

When gearing up for the holidays, take an inventory of major appliances to see if anything needs repairs or replacing. Gas ranges usually last about 15 years, fridges for 13, while dishwashers and microwaves usually have a lifespan of nine years. If any of your appliances need replacing, make sure to do your research so you buy the most energy-efficient model that fits in the space allocated for it.

Save Time & Money

Given the modest to heavy price tag on most appliances, you should be clear on what happens if the appliance breaks or needs repairs. Extended service plans, such as those offered by NEW, not only provide you with free technical support 24/7, they also provide access to fast, in-home service from professionals. A good service plan can even provide

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you with a sizeable food allowance should your fridge go kaput.

Test Your Fridge

Before you stock that fridge with holiday goodies, conduct a simple test to make sure it's keeping food cold. Stick a dollar bill in the door with half of it sticking out. If you can pull it out, you have a leak, which can lead to increased energy bills.

If you have a leak, look for a repairman to fix it instead of buying a new one. It will save you money, and you'll help the planet by reducing electronic waste.

Keep it Cool

To make sure you've got enough ice for your holiday gatherings, throw out any old ice and clean the bin. Also, make sure there's room between your ice maker and the back of the unit, so as to avoid creating a kink in the water line, which can stop an icemaker -- and party -- cold.

For more tips on extending the life of your kitchen appliances, visit TheSavvyShopperBlog.com. Then start cooking!

How to cut home heating costs this winter

Radiant floor heating could cut monthly fuel bills while warming your winter

(ARA) - Some savvy homeowners are having their cake and eating it too when it comes to energy-efficient home heating. Imagine cutting your heating bills, while boosting your home's comfort. Sound too good to be true? Not for the thousands of homeowners who are using radiant floor heating, one of the oldest and most efficient means of heating a home.

The technology, dating back to the ancient Romans, uses warm water to heat the floor, instead of a furnace to heat the air. Modern radiant systems pump warm water through an in-floor network of PEX tubing (crosslinked polyethylene), which, in essence, turns a home's entire floor into a massive whole-room radiator.

Many families actually feel warmer at a lower thermostat setting with radiant floor heating than at a higher temperature required with conventional forced-air heating systems. Studies conducted by the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) indicate that people with radiant heating systems can be comfortable at temperatures 6 to 8 degrees lower than with forced-air systems. The lower thermostat setting means using less energy and saving more money.



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Feel warmer at a lower temperature

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The same concept applies to a home with radiant floor heating. As the invisible waves of thermal radiation rise from the floor, they warm you and all the surrounding furnishings, which radiate that captured heat.

Contrast that with what happens in a conventional forced-air heating system, the kind found in most American homes. Hot air blows out of the registers and rises to the top of the room where it quickly sheds heat and then drops back down as it cools.

In a radiant home, all that warmth stays at the floor level where the people and, most importantly, their feet live. And if your feet are warm and comfortable, chances are, so are you.

"Because radiant heating warms people and objects directly - as opposed to the surrounding air - residents are more comfortable, while often using less energy," explains Mark Hudoba, senior product manager, Residential Heating and Cooling, at Uponor North America, a manufacturer of PEX-based radiant heating systems. "Radiant systems tend to yield consistent temperatures throughout the space. In homes heated with forced air, the temperatures can vary by more than 15 degrees between floor and ceiling."

Moreover, because the distribution of heat is more evenly circulated, there is less need to "overheat" a home in order to compensate for spaces that seem too cool because of drafts or poor insulation.

New and existing homes

A radiant heating system can be installed during new-home construction or added to an existing home. Even if you choose not to opt for radiant heat throughout your new home, the builder can still install the PEX tubing in the basement floor or - if you don't have a basement - in the home's concrete slab. Radiant technology is also perfect for heating a single bathroom or a kitchen.

Other benefits of radiant heating include:

* **Healthy atmosphere:** Since a radiant system needs no fans or blowers to move its heat, family members with allergies are, not subjected to the circulation of dust, mold, bacteria, viruses, and pet dander throughout the home.

* **Quiet operation:** No fans and blowers also means no noise.

* **Interior design options:** Radiant heating allows you to place furniture wherever you want with no concern about blocking air vents.

* **Fuel flexibility:** Radiant floor heating systems can accommodate a variety of energy sources; from the conventional (gas-, oil- or wood-fired boilers) to the cutting-edge (solar thermal systems and geothermal systems) - or even, a combination of both.

Ask anyone who's had the pleasure: Once you've experienced the joys of radiant heating, you'll never want to go back to a conventional system. For more information, visit www.uponor-usa.com.

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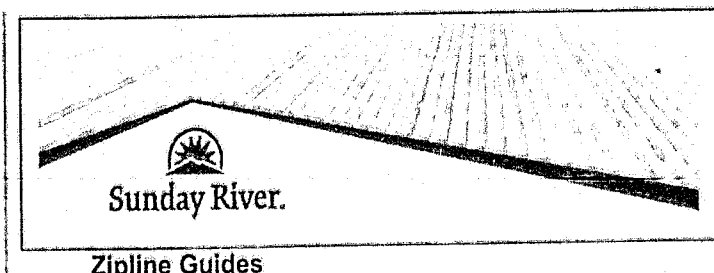
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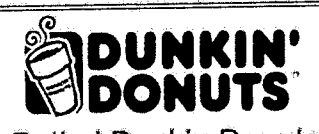
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NEW LISTING

33 Douglass Rd, Newry:
This 3-BR/3-bath whole-log home has hardwood floors, a stone fireplace and a cathedral ceiling. Large windows showcase the slope view. Screened-in porch. Minutes from Sunday River. Beautifully landscaped lawn & a paved driveway to the 2-car garage. \$578,000



NEW LISTING

26 North Main St, Woodstock:
This house is best known for its gingerbread trim & pristine condition. Located across the street from Lake Christopher. Features 6 BR's, hardwood floors, tin ceilings, a large kitchen with a wood cookstove, a double parlor with pocket doors and a beautiful fireplace. \$159,900



Millbrook Townhomes, 602/603:
Uniquely designed townhouse on 1st fairway at the Bethel Inn Resort. The 2-BR unit features a lockout master suite with bath, kitchenette, fireplace and patio. Private entrance lets owner rent out a portion of the townhouse while using the other. Furnished. \$304,000



511 North Road, Bethel:
This upscale 4-BR, 2.5-bath home is on a beautifully landscaped lot minutes from downtown. The home features many recent updates, wood-burning fireplace, master suite, hot tub, in-ground pool, finished basement, and a 20x30-foot barn/workshop. \$359,000



NEW PRICE

41 Forrest Lane, Greenwood:
3-BR/2-bath home in the South Pond Shores development. Open concept living/dining/kitchen area with cathedral ceiling, master suite with loft area, deck & full daylight basement. Access to the shared beach on South Pond, individual boat slips & dock area. \$199,000



57 Keystone Dr, Powder Ridge:
3,000-sq ft home, artfully designed, sold fully furnished. 5 BR's, 3 baths. Kitchen has Viking range, pot filler, concrete countertops, walk-in pantry & more. 3-sided wood-burning fireplace in living rm, gas fireplaces in master suite & family room. Sunday River views. \$659,000



Lot 98, Fisher Road, Peaks Village:
To be built: 3-BR/2.5-bath home with hardwood & tile floors, great room with floor-to-ceiling windows, open concept living area, mudroom, and large deck. Finished basement will include a family room, bath & bedroom/office. Spectacular views of Sunday River. \$439,000



55 Tumbledown Road, Gilead:
Beautiful 3-BR/2-bath white cedar log home offering expansive views of Evans Notch & Caribou Mtns. Living room features cathedral ceiling. Large loft used as a den & office. Family room and bunk room on the ground level. This house is a must-see. \$259,500

Land

Lot 5 Hickory Drive, Woodstock: Oak Hill II - 1.2 acres with lake and mountain views. Close to ski areas and area lakes and ponds. Soil tested and surveyed with power at the street. \$56,900

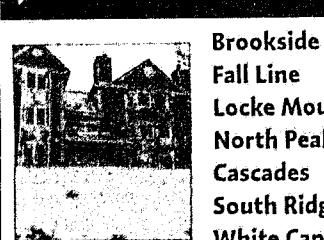
Lot 28 Breckenridge Road: This 2.03-acre hillside lot in sought-after Powder Ridge has panoramic views from Puzzle Mountain, across the Androscoggin River Valley to the lights of Bethel Village. \$109,000

Lot 5, Merriman Drive, Bethel: Sunset Hill subdivision. Just a mile from Bethel village, Lot 5 offers over two acres of land, privacy and beautiful mountain views. \$72,000

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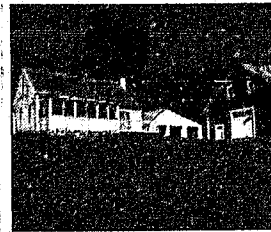
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Paradise Pines, Bethel \$219,000; Log sided home with 3 bedrooms and 3 baths nestled in the woods, yet just off Paradise Hill and not far from Bethel Inn golfing. Master suite with jetted tub and walk-in closet, gas stone fireplace, stainless appliances, wood flooring, drive under garage, nicely maintained yard and expansion possibilities are some of the attributes of this like-new property. Easy access to snowmobile trails, cross country skiing and snowshoeing. Only minutes to the slopes and intown historic Bethel Village



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New Listing! Victoria Inn on Main Street, Bethel. Slaty Historic Inn & 50 seat capacity restaurant offering 17 rooms, 16 baths, includes Owner's Quarters on manicured, magnificent acre. \$999,000	RECENT ACTIVITY: 2 Cascades Sunday River Condos SOLD! 103 Main St., Bethel SOLD! Hutchinson Pond Cottage SOLD! W. Paris Victorian SOLD! North Peak 11-106 SOLD! 2 North Peak Sunday River Condos SOLD!	New Listing! Philbrook Place on Main St., Bethel. Highly visible multi-use commercial Italianate property on National Register of Historic Places. Spectacular renovated post & beam, 6,000+ sq. ft. of retail space plus 2 apartments plus 3 office spaces. \$599,000
9 Room Farmhouse Garage, dining, living, family, master bedroom and 3/4 bath located on the first floor. 3 more bedrooms and full bath. 5+/- acres, 2,050+/- square foot home for only \$169,000!	SKI IN/SKI OUT CONDO 2 Bedroom Ski in/Ski out Condo. Absolutely beautiful condo, which has been professionally decorated and professionally renovated throughout. Situated in a superb location: views of the trails, fireworks, great ski-in, ski-out every level access. \$219,000	Major Reduction! Rare Find! Gorgeous 4 Bedroom Colonial w/detached 1 car garage & 450+/- feet of waterfront on Twitchell Pond! \$279,900

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Obituaries



ROLAND A. MARTIN
Roland A. Martin, 76, of Greenwood passed away on Tuesday, Nov. 30, 2010 at his home.
He was born in Greenwood on Oct. 6, 1934, the son of Beryl and Ethel Libby Martin. He attended school in Greenwood and Gould Academy before going to work full time. Roland worked several jobs in the Locke Mills and Greenwood area before going to work at Ekco Wood Products, later to be-

come Gilbert Manufacturing, where he retired after 41 years in 1996.
Roland married Martha E. Santy from Berlin, N.H., on July 28, 1962. Roland "Tink" enjoyed playing guitar and especially enjoyed "working up 2-part harmonies" with his cousin Terry Martin. He also enjoyed being outdoors, hiking, rock hunting/mineral collecting, fishing and hunting.
He is survived by his wife, Martha; son, Mark; aunt, Norma Knight; brother, Rexford Martin; sister, Sandra Morgan; two grandchildren, Glenn and Andrew Martin; and nieces and nephews.
At Roland's request there will be no visiting hours. A family only graveside service was held at Martin Cemetery in Greenwood. In lieu of flowers donations in his name can be made to Androscoggin Home Care and Hospice, PO Box 819, Lewiston, ME 04243-0819. Online condolences may be shared with her family at www.andrews-greenleaf.com

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Thank You,
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Births

Amanda Richards and Bryan Nason of Albany Township are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Jasper James Wood Nason, born on Nov. 9, 2010, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 6 pounds, 6 ounces.
Maternal grandparents are Elise Thurlow of Poland and Sherwood Jordan of Bethel.
Paternal grandparents are Deb and Clyde Nason of Kingman, Ariz.
Jasper joins a sister, Angelina Nason, age 3.

Kyle and Lorie Morgan of South Paris, are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Avery Rain Anna Morgan, born on Nov. 6, 2010 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 5 pounds, 12 ounces.
Maternal grandparents are Brendalee Plourde of South Paris and Forrie Everett of Florida.
Paternal grandparents are Jonathan and Pauline Morgan of South Paris.
Avery joins joins a sister, Dakota, age 4.

Samantha Lynn and Antonio Nathan Fernandes of Mexico, Maine, are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Adrian Drew Fernandes, born on Nov. 16, 2010, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 6 pounds, 15 ounces.
Maternal grandparents are Arlene Cobb and Bruce Cobb of Hebron.
Paternal grandparents are Carolyn Harrup and Bill Harrup of Rumford.
Adrian joins brothers Damian Fernandes, age 8, and Izaiah Fernandes, age 2.

Heather L. Dymond and Stephen V. Geyer of West Paris are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Sebastian Paul Herald, born on Nov. 29, 2010 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 9 pounds, 1 ounce.
Maternal grandparents are John and Noreen Wescott of Porter.
Sebastian joins sisters Elizabeth, age 19, Jessica, age 17, Kim, age 15, Maggie, age 13, Sera, age 12, and Stephanie, age 10.

Notice of Appeals Board Meeting
Woodstock, Maine

The Woodstock Board of Appeals will meet on Thursday, December 16, 2010 at 7:00 PM at the Woodstock Town Office to hear an administrative appeal from Nathaniel Snow to reverse the decision of the Woodstock Planning Board with regard to the Site Plan Review approval granted to Spuce Mountain Wind Project Owner: Patriot Renewables, LLC/Jay Cashman, Inc. to construct a large scale industrial wind farm on Spruce Mountain in Woodstock, Maine.

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